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Carlton E. Brown
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All EYEZ on the Tigers of Savannah State University

Savannah State University is the oldest historically black institution in the University System of Georgia. Located on a 165-acre tract adjacent to a salt-marsh estuary, SSU offers 26 undergraduate and graduate degree in three colleges: Business Administration, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, and Sciences and Technology. Students may pursue master's degrees in Public Administration and Social Work.

Most of the approximately 2,800 students enrolled at SSU are Georgia residents. Other states and foreign countries are represented as well. Students can take part in numerous social and academic organizations as well as intercollegiate and intramural sports. SSU athletes compete in baseball, basketball, cross-country, football, tennis, track and field, and volleyball.

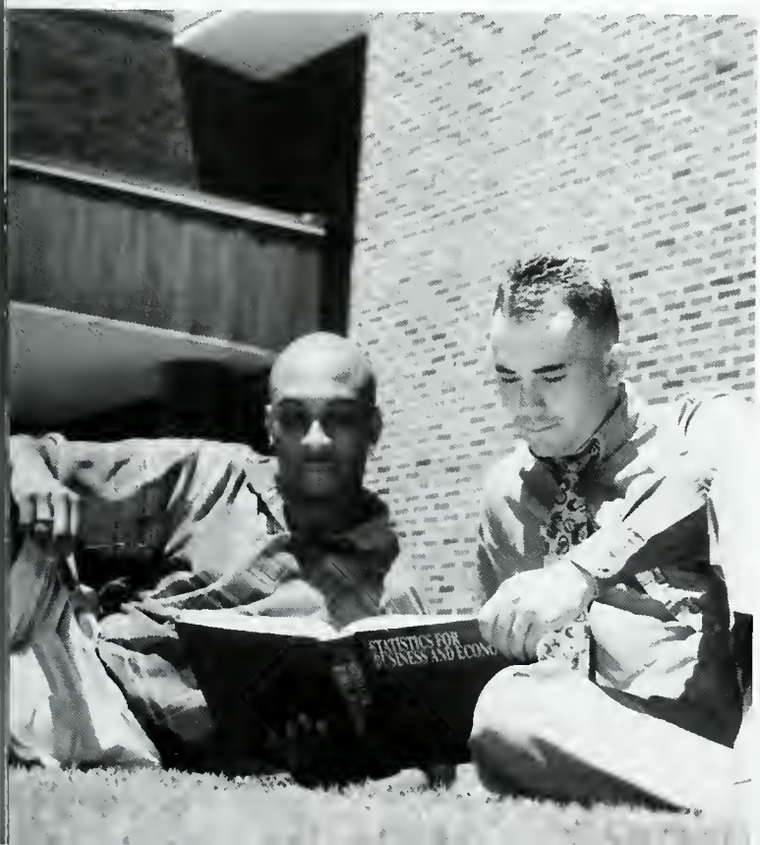
The Marine Sciences Program at SSU is the only one in the state that is located in a natural setting. Students can study marine life in a wet laboratory or travel off shore on board one of three vessels. The University offers four-year Naval ROTC programs, which prepares students for future leadership roles in the U.S. Navy or Marine Corps.

Dr. Kenneth Jordan, director of the Public Administration graduate program, and Dr. Charles Elmore, humanities professor and 1997-98 Regents' Distinguished Teacher.

Historic Hill Hall, built by students shortly after the institution was established in 1890, undergoes a transformation for its role in a Hollywood movie production.

The picturesque campus grounds sit beneath moss-draped trees that are surrounded by blooming azaleas.

One of the many beautiful queens that grace the SSU campus.



SSU students are serious about their academic roles. Here, two students take advantage of the warm and sunny climate to study outdoors.

Hail to the Chief of SSU:

Dr. Carlton E. Brown

The president is flanked by his daughter, Jamila, and wife, T. LaVerne Ricks-Brown.

"My phrase is 'high expectation -- high support.' And the more you expect from people, the more you have to surround them with the right support and structure to get things done."

All eyes turned to Savannah State University President Carlton E. Brown on July 1, 1997, when he became the 11th president of the institution. Brown arrived with a commitment to establishing an open, honest, responsive and forward-looking administration. His efforts to advance the fortunes of the university have been directed at building constituent relationships, addressing the quality of student life, communicating effectively with students, and pursuing improvements in program quality and student outcomes.

When Brown talks about the SSU student body, he advances them as the finest anywhere. He engages students in honest dialogue about the issues that pose serious challenges to the university. There is little that happpens at SSU that is not preceded by direct information from the president to the campus family.

A native of Macon, Georgia, Brown received his bachelor of arts degree in English with an emphasis in American Studies from the University of Massuchesetts in Amherst in 1971. Brown worked as a teacher and counselor in an inner-city alternative high school for three years. After becoming head teacher/counselor, he returned to the University of Massachusetts for doctoral study, which he completed in 1979.

Prior to taking office at SSU, Brown was vice president for Planning and dean of the Graduate College at Hampton University in Hampton, Virginia, a position he was promoted to in 1996.

A devoted family man, he is married to T. LaVerne Ricks-Brown and they have two children: Kwame and Jamila.

Here, the presidenthas given a stern lect the Tiger football team when the team tra to Texas for the SOMETHING CLASS

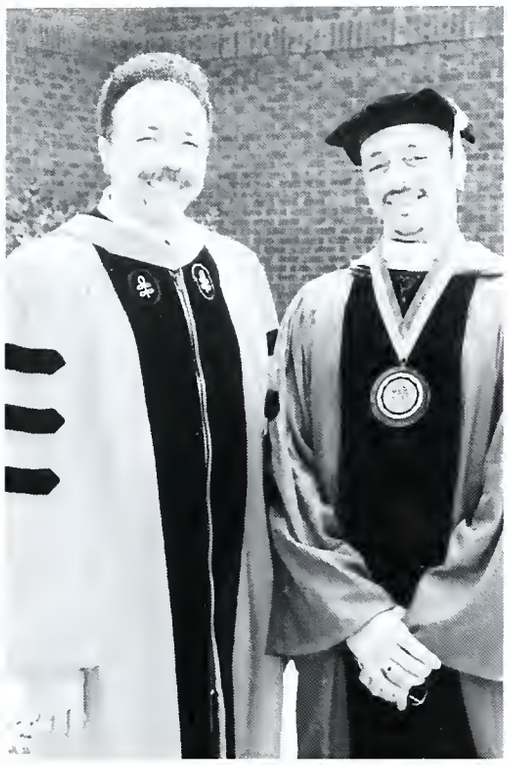
Dr. Brown enjoys a light moment with students at an activity on the campus circle. On a more serious note, he and his wife chat with Ms. Virginia Edwards, superintendent of the loca school system.

Dr. Brown addresses an audience in the Savannah Ballroom.

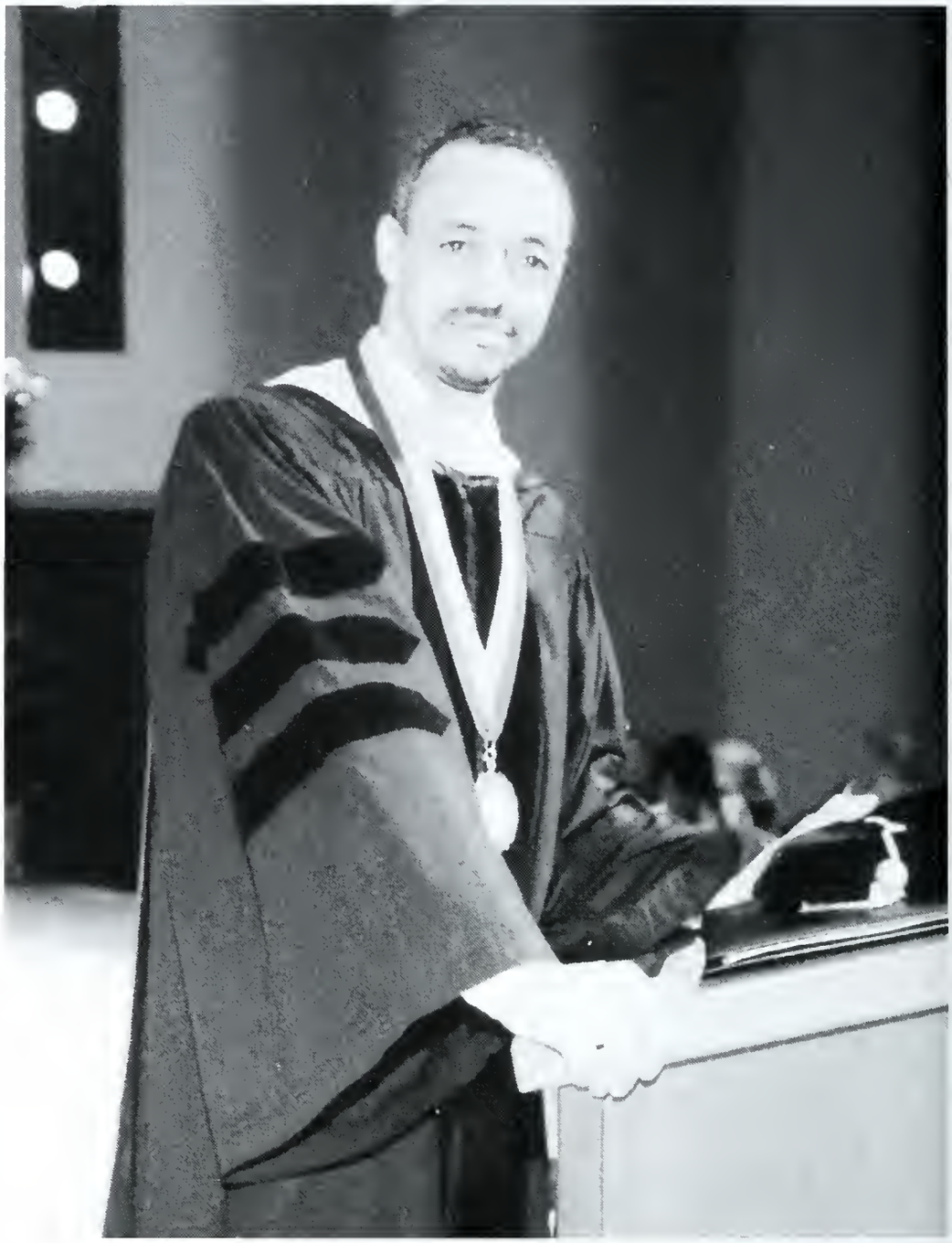
Dr. Brown always takes time tochat with students.

The president and first lady show their approval.

Dr. Carlton E. Brown, *right*, prepares to give his Inaugural address during the Inaugural Ceremony held at the Savannah Civic Center on May 15, 1998.



above.Dr. William Harvey, president of Hampton University, and Dr. Carlton E. Brown, SSU president, outside of Gardner Hall after Honors Convocation.



QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE: BRIGHT MOMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

"Quest for Excellence: Bright Moments and Opportunities" was the theme for Inauguration Week, May 11-17, 1998. The week-long celebration began with an art exhibit and a "Salute to the Eleventh President," an Inaugural gala that featured dramatic interpretations, dance performances, poetic readings, classical music and more. Savannah State University students had many bright moments during the week, beginning with the Ribbon-Pinning Ceremony for honors students, which was a prelude to the 39th Annual Honors Convocation. Dr. William Harvey, president of Hampton University, was the guest speaker at the convocation, where approximately 500 students were honored for their academic achievements. Of course, the key event of the week was the much-anticipated Inaugural Ceremony, where Dr. Carlton E. Brown was invested as the 11th president of SSU. The celebration culminated with a worship service at First Congregational Church.

left,l-r, Board of Regents Chairman Dr. William S. Clark, Jr., Dr. Brown, and University System of Georgia Chancellor Dr. Stephen R. Portch.

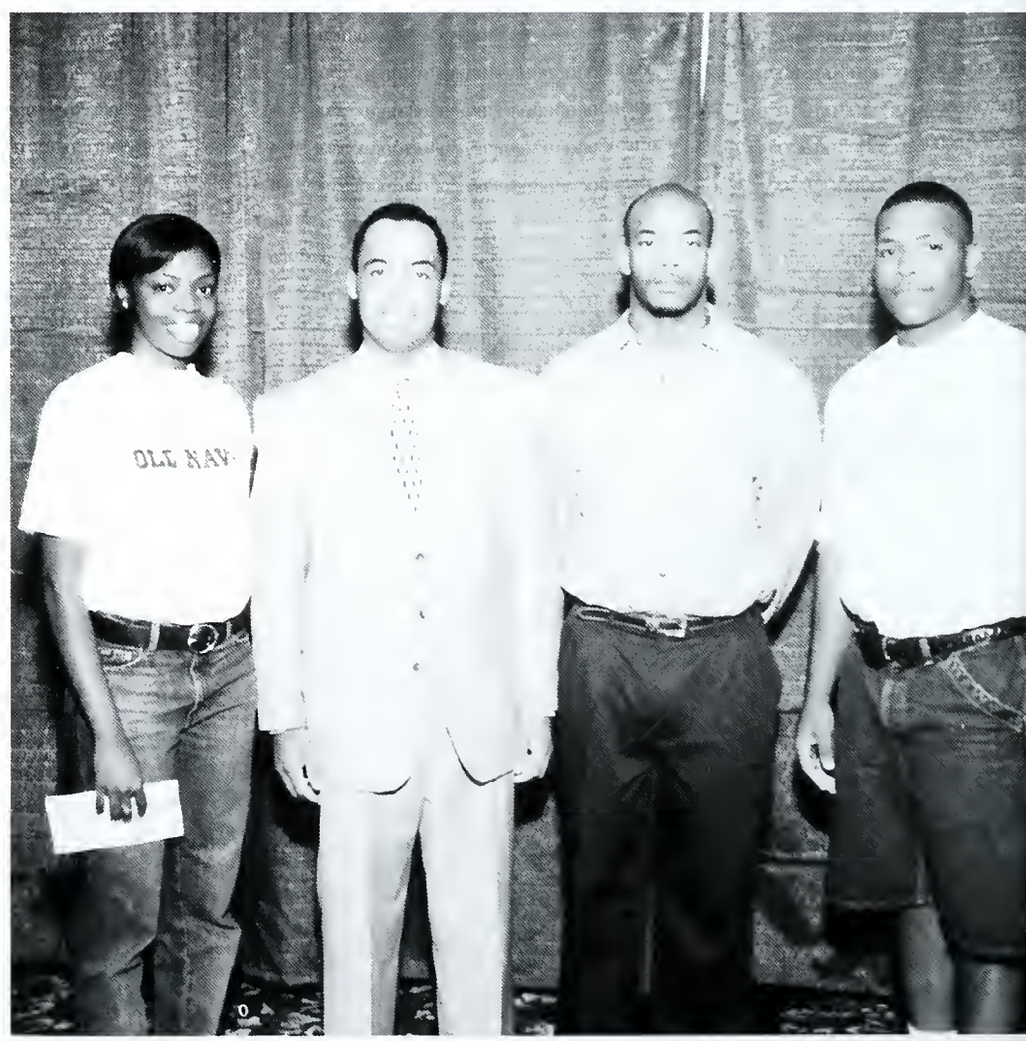
SSU students enjoy the Inaugural Ball, held at the Hyatt Regency Savannah. *l-r*, Lamar Rhodes, Evangeline Patterson, Passionate Fortson, and SGA President Will Simmons.

above, Dr. Brown and others enjoy a photo exhibit in The Archives.

Fredricka Whitfield, a correspondent with NBC News, kicked off the Presidential Enhancement Lecture Series in April 1998. Whitfield challenged SSU students to believe in their abilities.

Michael Huyghue, senior vice president of operations for the Jacksonville Jaguars, was the third and final guest lecturer in the Enhancement series.

After chatting with SSU students about career paths and career preparations, Huyghue and students pause for the camera.



Presidential Enhancement Lecture Series Launched

PELS brings accomplished professionals: Fredricka Whitfield, Joyce Roche` and Michael Huyghue

The Presidential Enhancement Lecture Series (PELS) was launched during the 97-98 academic year. The series was intended to expose SSU students to role models from diverse professions while inspiring students to strive for their professional goals.

Fredricka Whitfield, NBC News correspondent, and SSU President Carlton E. Brown.

Joyce Roche` (above) is president a nd chief operating officer at Carson Products, a Savannah-based African-American manufacturer that produces hair care and beauty products.

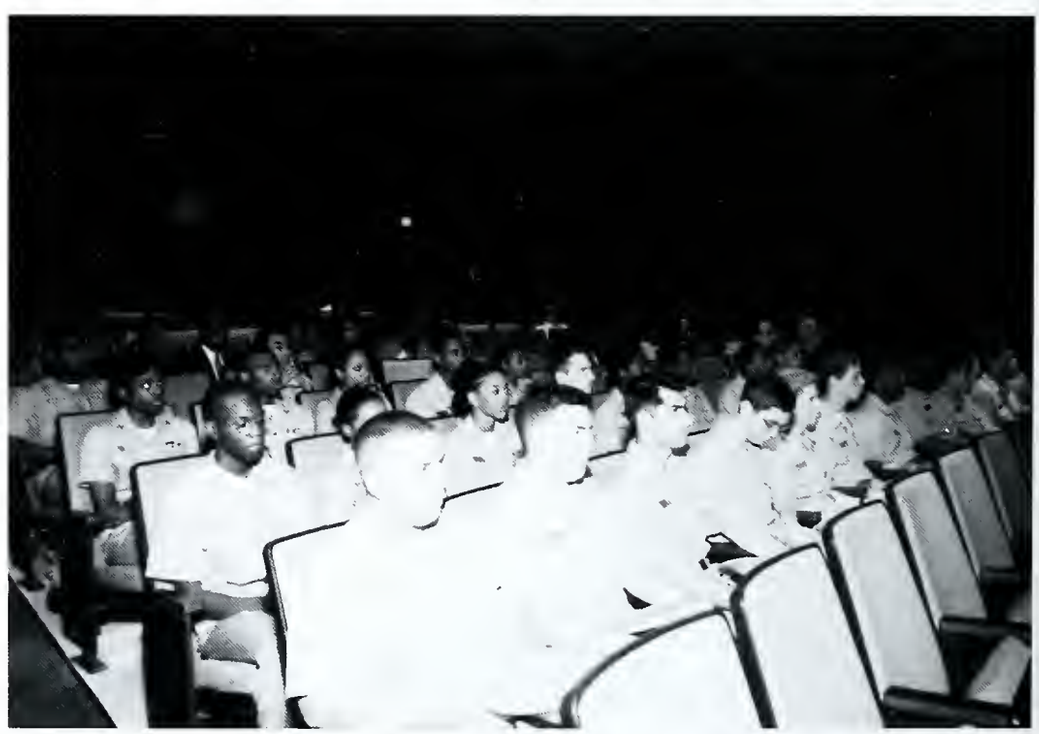
After the lecture, SSU students were anxious to learn more from Whitfield about internship and employment opportunities in the television news business.

Savannah State Graduate Takes the Helm of the USS McFaul

The Savannah State University family stood tall and proud on April 25, 1998, when U. S. Navy Commander Bernard L. Jackson became the first captain of the USS McFaul, the Navy's newest billion dollar destroyer, during a commissioning ceremony held at the Georgia Ports Authority. The McFaul was commissioned in Savannah at the request of Jackson, who is a native of Macon, Georgia, and a graduate of Savannah State. Jackson also served as an instructor in the school's Navy ROTC program during the early years of his career. The McFaul is the first ship under Jackson's command; he is one of 15 minority ship commanders in the U.S. Navy. Prior to the commissioning ceremony, SSU held "Commander Bernard L. Jackson Celebration Day" on the SSU campus. Although the campus parade was rained out, the faculty and student spirit shined brightly for Jackson and his career accomplishments. During a program in Elmore Theater, Jackson addressed NROTC midshipmen and others, afterwhich he was showered with greetings and gifts.

Right, SSU President Carlton E. Brown and Commander Bernard L. Jackson pause for the camera before proceeding into Elmore Theater where Jackson addressed students.

The USS McFaul is a guided-missile destroyer that will be homeported in Norfolk, VA. More than 3,000 people attended the commissioning ceremony where U.S. Senator Max Cleland of Georgia was the guest speaker.



NROTC midshipmen listen intently to Navy Commander Bernard L. Jackson, who earned two undergraduate degrees at Savannah State.

Dr. Brown accepts a USS McFaul cap from Commander Jackson. The president presented the commander with a SSU paperweight to be displayed in his desk.

Commander Jackson accepts a plaque from Dr. Prince Jackson, who the commander described as a role model during his years at SSU.

SSU Welcomes New Students at Orientation

Freshmen Orientation Week is set aside to help the newest Tigers get acquainted with the SSU campus, employees and faculty, and university procedures. In addition to lots of information, freshmen get to have lots of fun at social events, peer group meetings and more.

Right, Felicia Sigler, an upperclassmen, performs a selection during anorientation luncheon. Seated to her left are the President and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr Joseph H. Silver, Sr.

Below, Freshmen enjoy an afternoon of entertainment in the academic circle.

All Eyez on the Class of 2001

Savannah State University
Freshmen

"Now you girls are aware that we do not have modeling as a major here."

Ayobami Alabi
Nicole Allen
Christina Archer
Jermaine Armstrong
Victoria Ballard
Ozell Banks

ShaKeyla Barnes
Tamika Bond
Byron Bowers
Nyssa Broadnex
Erica Broadwater
Jermaine Brooks

Tamburo Burks
Kizzy Champion
Samuel Chavous
Chanel Clemmons
Carole Currie
Yusef Curry

Keath Dennis
Bernard Denson
Jonte Epps
Charlette Feenster
Shawndra Felder
Miranda Fitzpatrick

Alonzia T. Flood
Passionate Fortson
Tywan Gonzalez
Catressa Gooden
Joya Grant
Carl Gregory

Karen Hall
Cicely Harpe
Meya Harris
Samantha Hassell
Lorenzo Herring
Tammy Hines

The Pepsi Challenge brings a smile to the students of all classifications.

Dr. Brown hangin' with one of S.S.U's finest, Aisha Douglass, one of the champion tennis players.

The heat can even have an effect on our energetic freshman class.

Late registration for Orientation can require some patience.

Kenya Hodge
Kevin Howell
India Jackson
Megan Johnson
Kenneth Johnson
Arthur Jones

Tykeisha Jordan
Torrance King
Monica Lee
James Lewis
Cheryl Lucas
Richard Lundy

La Darius Mc Kenzie
Jeff Miller
Yosheyah Moyo
Aubrey Ogletree
Kimberly Ogletree
Wayne Peterson

Edriria Pope
John Pristell
Tamika Punckney
Abdul Rashad
Nikisha Ruff
Marcus Scott

Robin Shipp
Julmacia Sims
Lakeshia Smith
Thomas Stafford
Shannon Swagerty
Jonathon Taylor

Stephanie Jackson, Miss Black Georgia 1997-98, shows the cameraman her winning smile.

"I may be shorter than everyone at this University, but I am your peer counselor," explains Monique Hill.

Santresa Taylor
Kenneth Thomas
Tasso Thomas
Zakisha Thomas
Antwain Turner
Mikki Van Dyke

Judge Varner
Eric Walker
Shenague Wallace
Khalid Warnock
Chara Watkins
Thomas Wearing

The spirited, energetic and helpful peer counselors take a break during orientation to pose for a picture.

No, Tita is not crazy, just proud to be an S.S.U. Tiger. Let me see you do the P.C. Jam.

Winston Wells
Courtney Williams
Tanzanike Williams
Quincy Wilson
Rwanda Young

All Eyez on the Tigers of 2000

Kimberly Boutte'
Alfreda Cole
Eddie L. Davis
John Davis
Aisha Fikes
Dorseania Finley

Kimberly Garrett
Bernard Gracy
Ricardo Greene
Reshaundra Heard
Keylon Johnson
Tequila MacK

Paula Miller
Amanda Prince
Christopher Putney
Jason Rall
Patrick Rountree
Afanna Rouse

"Hey, no autographs, today we're just chillin'."

Ken, Will is S.G.A. President, too; if you want to talk about the stepshow, make an appointment for later.

Alfreda Cole, Miss Sophomore, waves elegantly to the homecoming crowd.

Mia Ryder
Michael Simpson
Kawanee Smith
Sharon Stallings
Conshombia Tate
Damia Ward

David E. Ward Jr.
Lenisha S. Ware
Barbara Webb
Charles Wheeler
Twyle White
Bryan Williams

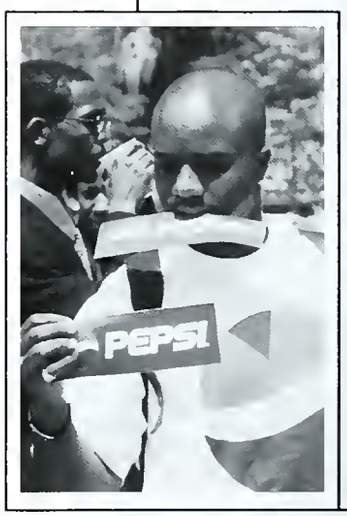
Katina Wright

All Eyez on the Tigers of 1999

"Dr. Brown, she's reporting for the school newspaper."
"She doesn't need a story on the art of eating a cookie."

"This Pepsi event on the yard is the bomb. Now I need one more sticker for my mama's car."

The SSU mass communication students are taking advantage of the networking opportunities offered after one of Dr. Brown's Presidential Lecture Series.



Ken Albright
Shanketia Blackshear
Lawrency Boone
Robert Bynue
Keri F. Carrasquillo
Odell Carter

Daron Champion
Latoya Cooper
Stephen Culver
April Dobbs
Aisha Douglas
Korey Gibson

Dontae' Henderson
Christopher Holmes
Juan Johnson
Kitsy Johnson
Larissa Jones
Velva S. Jones

Anthoney Major
Delores S. Morrison
Khanya Pittman
Damaris Rainwater
Javan Sanders
Joshua Sanders

Maurice Sanders
Curtis Singleton
Christopher Smart
Valorie Williams

Devastating, Sophisticated and Tantalizing. The ladies of Delta Simga Theta. Felicia Sigler, Miss Senior, and Valorie Williams, Miss Junior.

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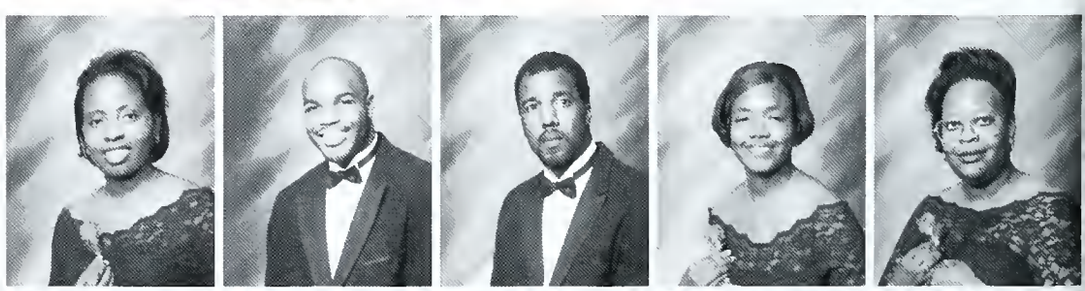
All Eyez on the Senior Tigers

Mrs. Juanita Adams, Student Government Association adviser, and William Simmons, S.G.A. president, find time to take a picture.

The snack bar is definitely the place to be during lunch or dinner.



Algene Byrum
Elliott Cheely Jr.
Ahdae Cohen
Nicheole Davis
Patricia Edwards

Michael S. Gaither, Jr.
Karen Garvin
Monique Hill
Catia Jackson
Latonia E. James

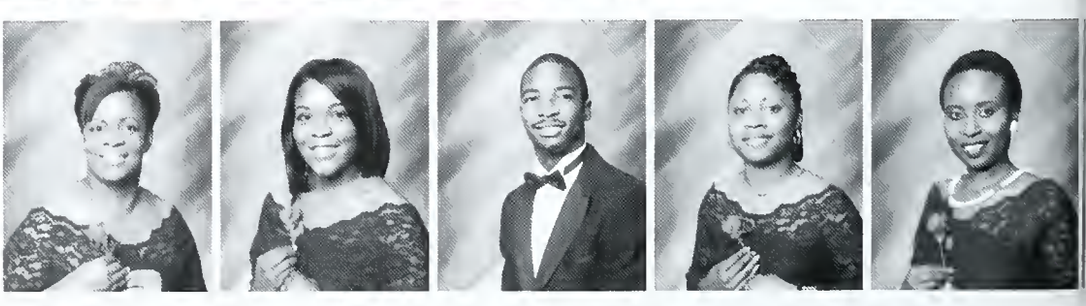
Tijuana Brewer, Miss Savannah State University 1997-98.

Ebony T. Jones
Randy Jones
Kerstin Kneier
Danny Lamonte
Melody A. Milledge

Alicia Mullice
Dennis Narh-Martey
Jerome Neal Jr.
Jennifer Palmer
Estelline O. Payne-Beamon

"Hey, who taught the tiger how to drive?"

Tijuana, Monica and Kelli show approving smiles for the Pepsi donation.



Tujuana Taylor
Deirdre Vernon
Harold Washington
Yolanda Washington
Jane W. Waweru

Miss Savannah State University 1997-98

Miss Tijuana Shantrel Brewer is a senior pursuing a major in Mass Communications and a minor in English. She is the former Miss Junior and Miss Clef Club. Tijuana is a member of the Peer Counselors Association, National Council of Negro Women, the SSU Concert Choir, and Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Tijuana is a nominee for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities and is recognized as a Most Outstanding Collegiate African American Woman.

Tijuana S. Brewer, Miss Savannah State University

SSU President Carlton E. Brown and Miss SSU on Coronation night.

Miss SSU and her attendants: *(left)* Catia S. Jackson, second attendant, and *(right)* Lori C. Douglas, first attendant.

Miss SSU makes her grand entrance at the Coronation and takes a bow.

The Dawning of a New Day: Living the Dream

right, "Ladies in Waiting" -- *(l to r)* April Drayton, Felicia Billingslea and Fecilia Billingslea.

below, Miss SSU is very pleased with all the accessories of her dreams: tiara, sash, cape, flowers, and jewelry!!

right, Tamara Render, Miss SSU 96-97, helps Miss SSU with her cape during the Coronation ceremony.

right, Miss SSU is congratulated by Miss NCA&T.

Miss Environmental Sciences makes her entrance at the Coronation.

below, Katarya Hunt, Miss Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, pauses for a break -- and the camera!

Miss SSU and Dr. Brown demonstrate their ballroom dancing skills.

The SSU Annual Homecoming Parade

right, Shankalon Clark, SGA vice president, waves from the back seat while SGA President Will Simmons enjoys the convertible ride.

above, SSU President Carlton E. Brown and Parade Grand Marshall Henry Nash (class of '74); Nash is president and CEO of General Scientific Corporation.

The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority float features some young aspiring sorority members.

left, VerLynda Slaughter is Miss Pre-Law.

below, Valorie Williams, Miss Junior, waves to the crowd.

left, April Dobbs represents Wright Hall.

above, Miss Camilla Hubert Hall, Kristie Watts.

Brandy Curry, Miss Freshman

Shirley Phillips, Miss Concert Choir

Miss Cheerleader, Tisha Bowens, is joined by other members of the cheerleading squad.

After the parade, it's on to the stadium for the tailgate parties!!

l-r, Lisa Earls, director of Alumni Affairs, and Annette Brock, interim vice president for Institutional Advancement, with Katie Hatchel, an SSU alum

below, The President and the First Lady have a chance to mingle with alums at the tailgate parties before entering the stadium for the homecoming game.

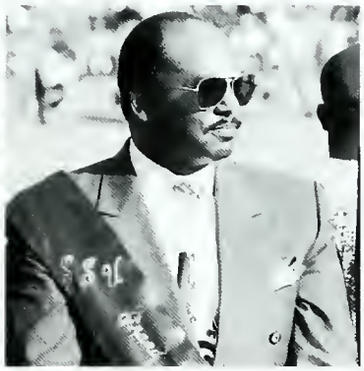
left, There's plenty of food for everyone to 'get their eat on,' as they say!

Homecoming 97-98

above, SGA President Will Simmons and Miss SSU Tijuana Brewer at halftime ceremony during the Homecoming game.

right, President Brown and Miss Brewer.

Miss Savannah State
University 1997-98



right, The Marching Tiger Band anxiously awaits the "battle of the bands" halftime show.

below, A campus queen observes the game action from the stands--and pauses to flash a smile for the camera.

above, Fans crowd T. A. Wright Stadium to see the annual showdown on the field.

right, How did that Tiger get into the stands?

Miss Alpha Kappa Alpha

Miss SSU waves to the Homecoming crowd.

Reggie Mitchell, (aka "Fat Boy") head drum major, and Tameiko Allen, Miss Peer Counselor.

Three is not a crowd for these SSU Tigers.

The Tiger offense is dauntless heading for the end zone.

Looks like there's going to be a big pile up here!

Homecoming '97: SSU vs Miles College

The Tiger defense tackes the Miles College ball carrier

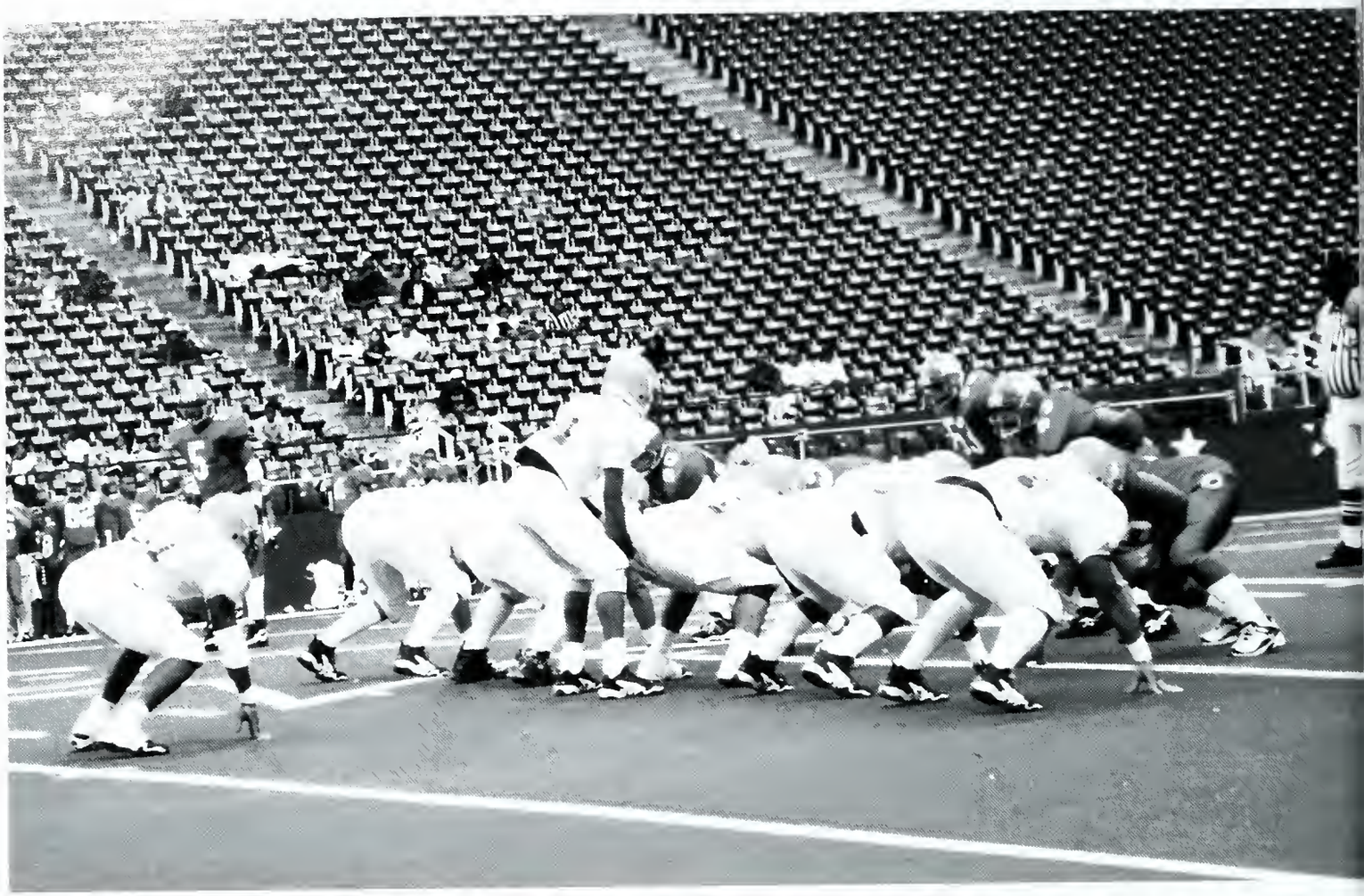
Miles has possession of the ball but the Tiger defense is looking hungry!

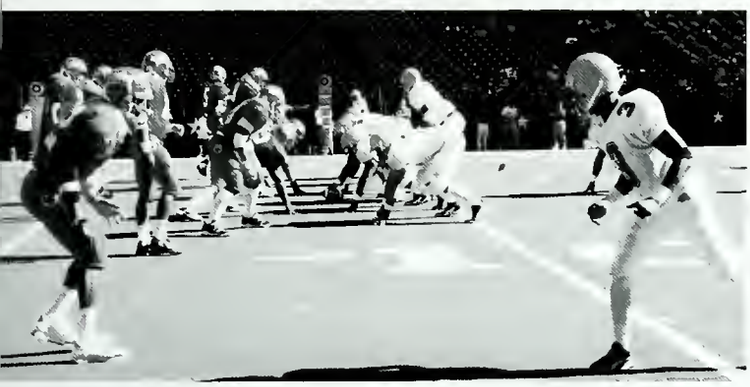
SSU's #36 will not be stopped on this play!

The SSU defensive team is on top of things at this homecoming game!

TOM LANDRY

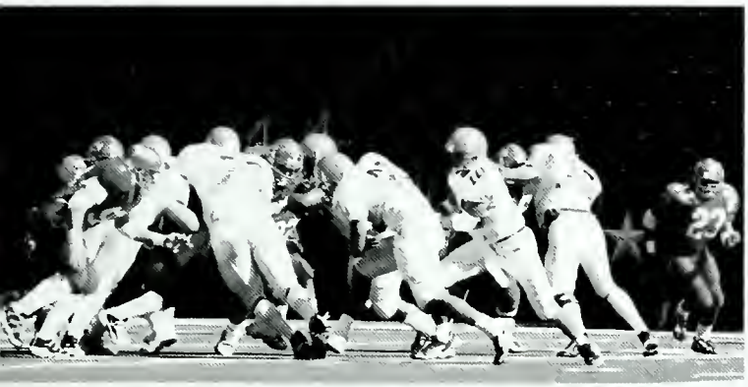
SSU Tigers in Texas Stadium

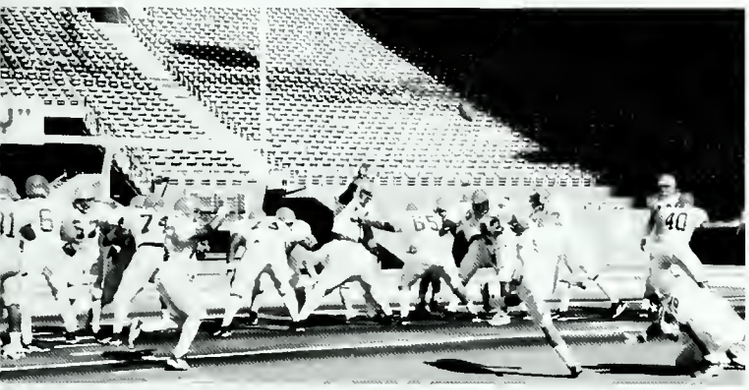




The Mobil Oil Classic

Savannah State University and Tuskegee University met in Texas Stadium in Forth Worth for the Mobil Oil Classic. Although Tuskegee managed to overcome the Tigers in the end, it was still pretty awesome to occupy the field that is home to the Dallas Cowboys.





SSU Marching Tiger Band 97-98

The SSU Marching Tiger Band is directed by Mr. Lawrence Hutchins.

The Tiger mascot marches tall and proud on the field during a halftime show.

The dance squad performs an energetic routine to the sounds of the Tiger Band.

"That's it! Flap your arms higher! Flex those wrists! Bend those knees! We are the majorettes and we have to set an example for the others."

Tiger Cheerleaders 97-98

Spirit

Enthusiasm

Vigor

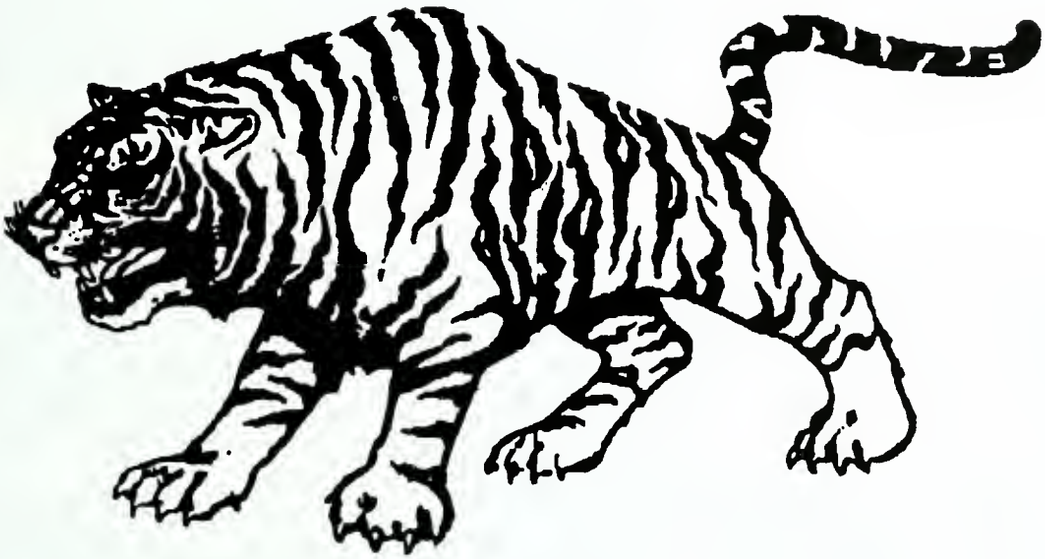
SSU cheerleaders display ebullient vitality and energy wherever they go!!!

The SSU cheerleaders make this stunt look so easy!!

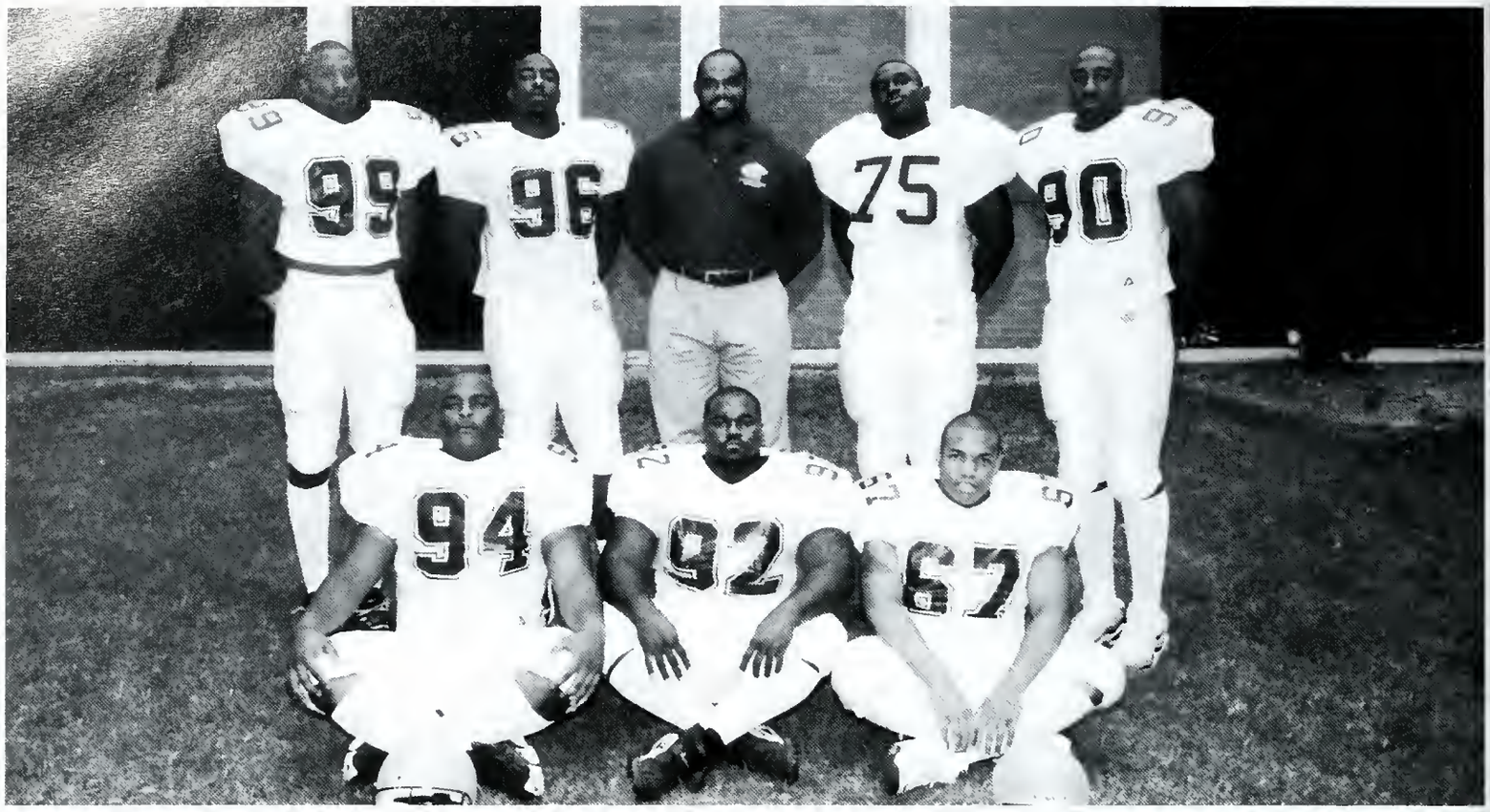
At a pep rally on the campus circle, the cheerleaders perform to get the crowd's spirit revved up for a home football game.

standing, Shantresa Taylor; Briana Brown, captain; Megan McCray; Aiyana Ryals, co-captain; and Nyssa Broadnex.
kneeling, Angela Milner; Christy Ross; Kamika Johnson; Tisha Bowens, Miss Cheerleader; and Chaurrice Scott.

All Eyez on : Athletics at SSU



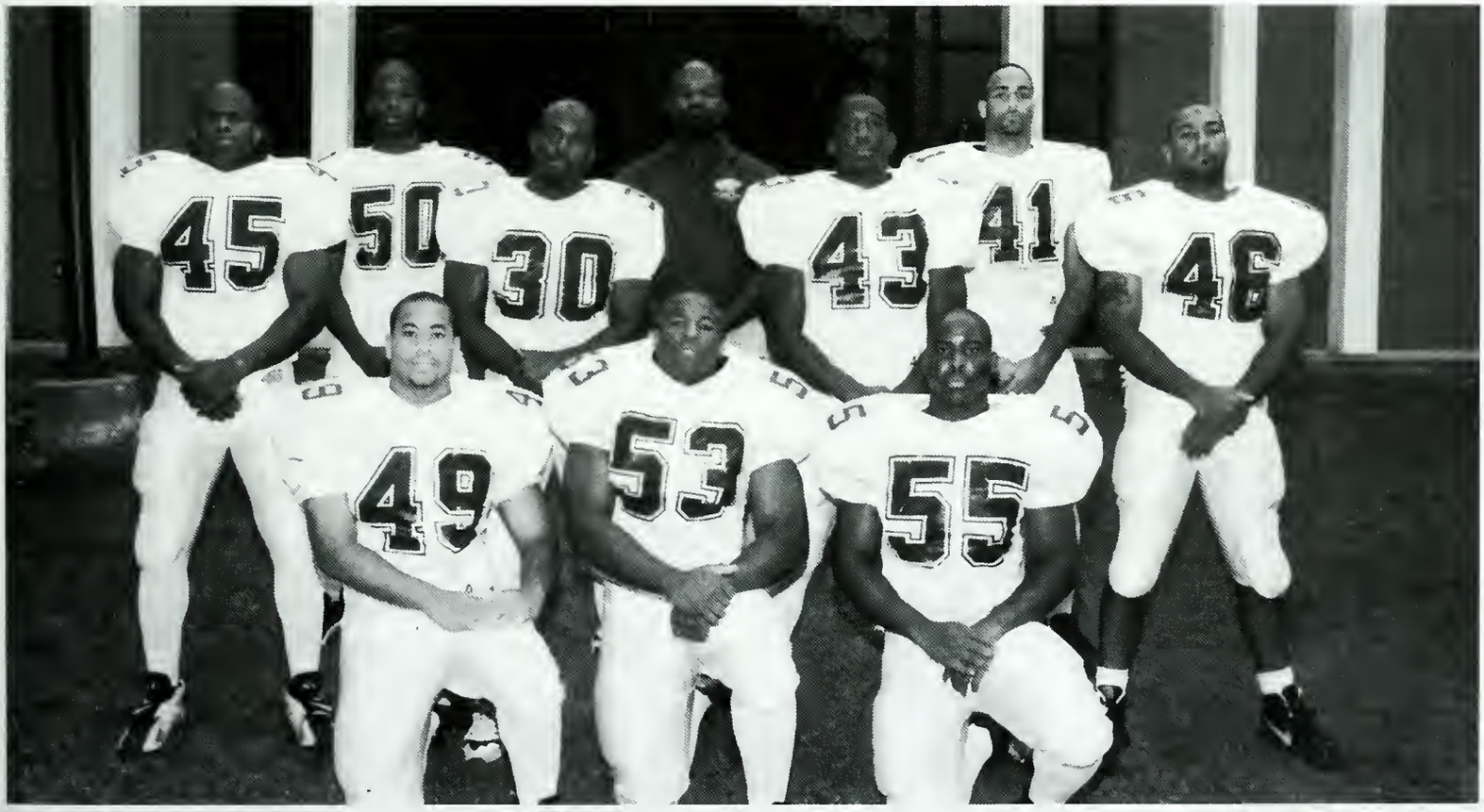
Tiger Football 97-98
"Putting it Back Together"



Defensive Linemen: front row, Chester Cary, Marcus Davis, and Leonard Ross
back row, Eric Jackson, Kelvin Frazier, Freddrick Hull, and Jecory Jackson
Coach: Ervin Clarke

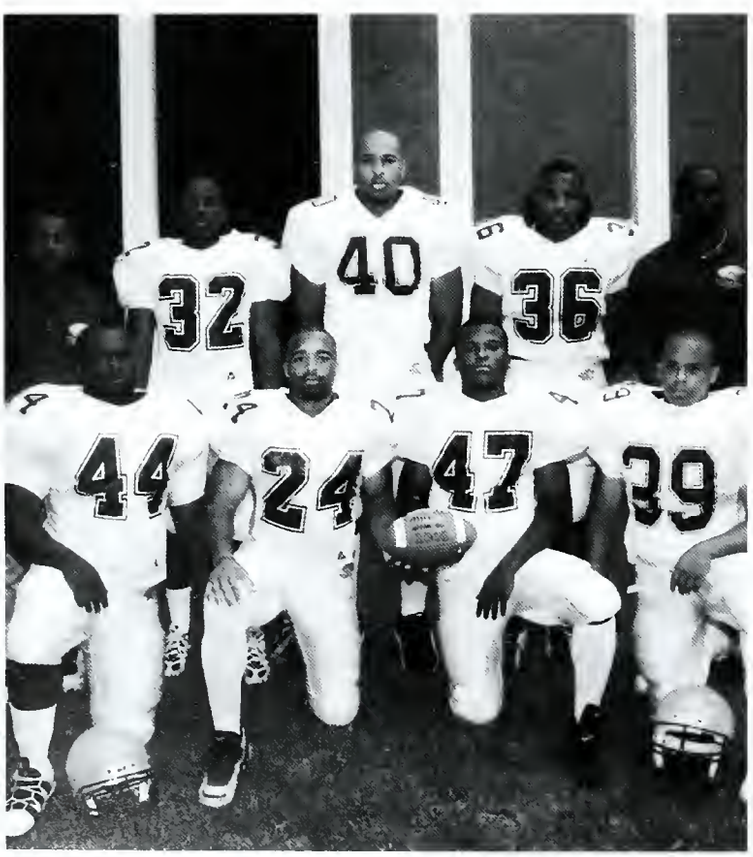
Defensive Backs: front row, David Ware, Carlton Rhule, and Roosevelt Williams
back row, Lemual Ligon, Chris Gillam, Ben Stready, and Greg Sullivan
Coach: Steven Wilks

Offensive Linemen: front row, Chris Salter, Ali Alston, Luke Hardwick, Jason Hill, Archie Hayes, and Anthony Reddick
back row, Henry Hugie, Omari King, Tim Smith, and King Jordan
Coach: Steven Aycock

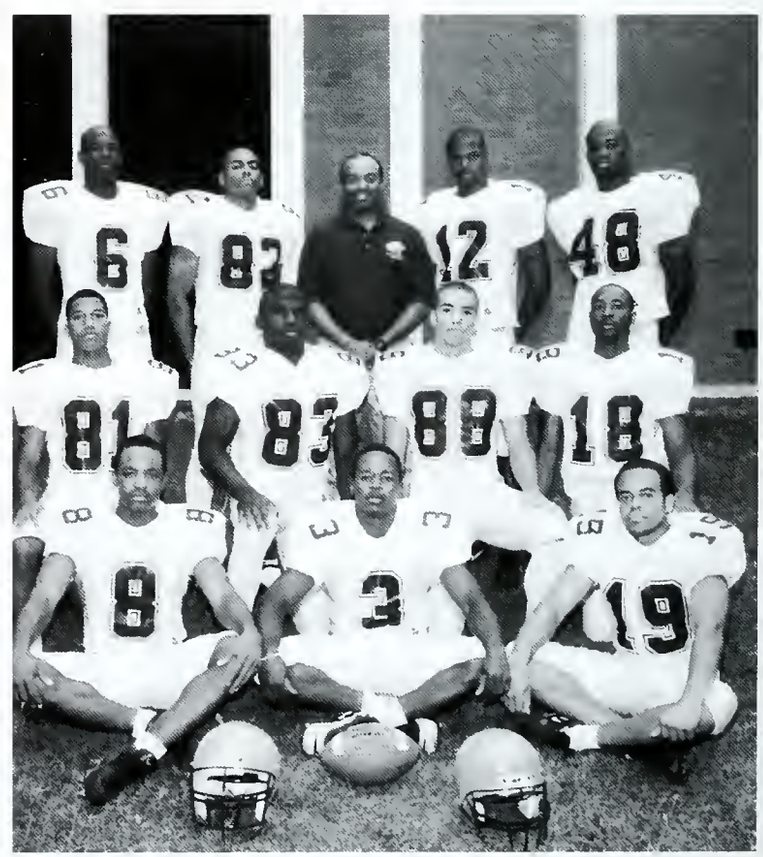


Linebackers: front row, Harry James, Chris Middleton, and Vincent McCann.
back row, Reggie Jackson, John Pristell, Michael Bush, Tommy Dawson, Eric Cross, and Jason Stewart.
Coach: Gregory Green

Quarterbacks: Terrence Boney, DeAndre Singleton, Stacy Davis, and Hamilton Bledsoe
Coach: Richard Basil



Running Backs: front row, Marcellus Holmes, Jumaane Davis, Isiah Brown, and Broadus Kirkland
back row, Cory Durant, Macy Cummings, and Tory Pendleton
Coaches: James German (left) and Mike Wallace (right)



Receivers: first row, Shannon Ballard, Shannon Howard and Demon Davis, second row, Aaron Haynes, Jamal Zanders, Dexter Bruce and Terrence Boney, third row, Hamilton Bledsoe, Alfred Taylor, Ramon Huff and Arsenta Johnson. **Head Coach**: Daryl McNeill

Tiger Football '97
Putting It Back Together

1997-98 Scoreboard

SSU 31	Wingate 37
SSU 24	Winston-Salem State 27
SSU 32	Lane College 10
SSU 3	Morehouse 0
SSU 3	Albany State 41
SSU 23	Morris Brown 24
SSU 14	Tuskegee 20
SSU 10	Kentucky State 28
SSU 3	Fort Valley 12
SSU 34	Miles 28
SSU 22	Clark Atlanta 23

Tiger Basketball 97-98

Lady Tigers Squad

4	Aysha Aikens	Guard
30	Tameiko Allen	Center
24	Nikole Barney	Forward
14	Nekosha Fambro	Guard
43	Alethea Gadson	Forward
15	Charnessa Grace	Guard
23	Shameka Humphrey	Guard
22	Tamara Jackson	Guard
10	LaKeia Manor	Guard
34	April Pullen	Forward
44	Joy Berry-Quarterman	Center
54	Danielle Rhynes	Forward
42	Natalie Taylor	Forward
12	Laniece Thomas	Guard
20	Melody Webb	Guard
55	LaDwayna Wilcher	Forward

Men's Basketball Squad

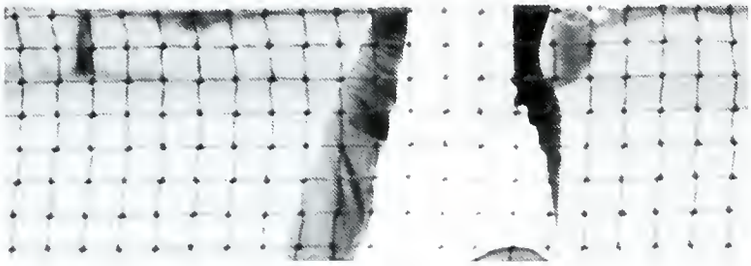
42	Alan Bertran	Forward
10	Eric Hannor	Guard
32	Darren Parker	Forward
25	Jason Priah	Guard
45	Marquez Sterling	Forward
21	Mario Watts	Forward
20	Rasha Williams	Guard
23	Dejanaro Green	Guard
40	Tywan Gonzalez	Forward
12	Jonathan Black	Guard
44	Ricardo Greene	Forward
11	Tori Aikens	Guard
33	Reggie Smith	Forward

Women's Tennis 97-98

Savannah State University's Women's Tennis Team won its third consecutive SIAC championship title during the 1997-98 academic year.

right, Valdie Christopher, Virgin Islands.

Looks like a serious strategy discussion!



Sophia Williams of the Grand Bahamas.

Iesha Hill of Statesboro, Georgia.

Bridget Thomas, a senior from Stone Mountain, Georgia.

Samantha Hassell, a freshman from Washington, D. C.

Aisha Douglas, a junior from Atlanta, Georgia.

Women's Tennis Coach: Gregory Green.

Team members not pictured: Carol Currie and LaTonya Kennedy.

Tiger Baseball
97-98

The Savannah State University Baseball Team is another SIAC championship winner, bringing home their fourth consecutive championship trophy in 1998.

The Winning Team

44	Eric Andrews	Catcher
3	Isiah Brown	Catcher
33	James Coovert	Pitcher
32	Tavis Cummings	Left Field
28	Matt Devlin	Pitcher/1st Base
31	Charles Green	Pitcher
20	James Greig	3rd Base
16	Ellis Hanks	CenterField
24	Roderick Hayes	Right Field
2	David Hernandez	Short Stop
19	Matt Hoffman	Pitcher
18	Mike Hoffman	Pitcher
8	Brandon Jackson	Center Field
10	Marqus Johnson	Catcher
23	Deyano Martin	1st Base
4	Willie Melendez	Left Field
7	Randeric Moore	Pitcher
30	DeFaunt Norton	Short Stop
26	Raju Patel	Catcher
9	Torrie Pinkins	3rd Base
25	Roderick Ricks	1st Base
11	Angel Santana	Pitcher
17	Bobby Settle	Left Field
27	DeOndre Singleton	Pitcher
15	Denoavis Smartt	Catcher
6	Tarik Smiley	2nd Base
22	Billy Strouse	2nd Base
5	Tray Williams	Short Stop

Head Coach: Jamie Rigdon
Student Coaches: Christopher "Teeple" Hill and Robert Lampkin

Tiger baseball players at practice for a winning season.

Tiger fans enjoying a baseball game. Or maybe the camera generated this enthusiasm.

Tigers
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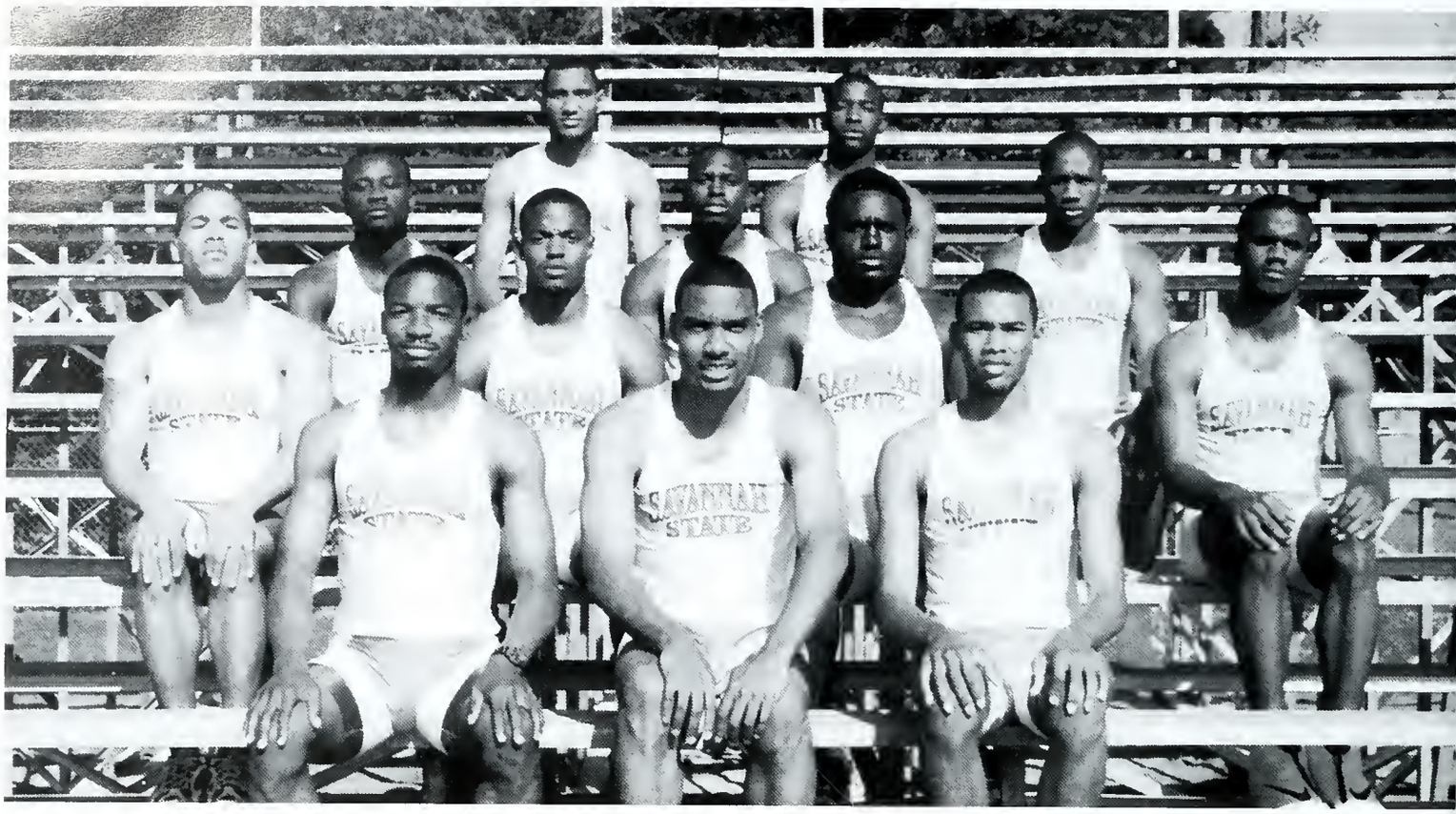
Let the Races Begin!
Track & Field and Cross Country

Savannah State University sponsors a total of nine intercollegiate sports, including men's and women's track and field and cross country.



Men's Track & Field Team: *first row*, Harold Washington, Rico Campbell, and Carnell Coleman. *second row*, Charles Wheeler, Ramon Huff, Fred Hull and Bernard Gracey. *third row*, Dennis Narh-Martey, Kareem Epps, and Stanley Ervin. *top row*, Robert Bynoe and Chris Johnson. not pictured: William Rhodes and Ed Williams. **Head Coach:** Ted Whitaker.

Robert Bynoe, Guyanna.

Carnell Coleman, Fort Lauderdale.

Rochelle Mack, Atlanta.

Damia Ward, Stone Mountain.

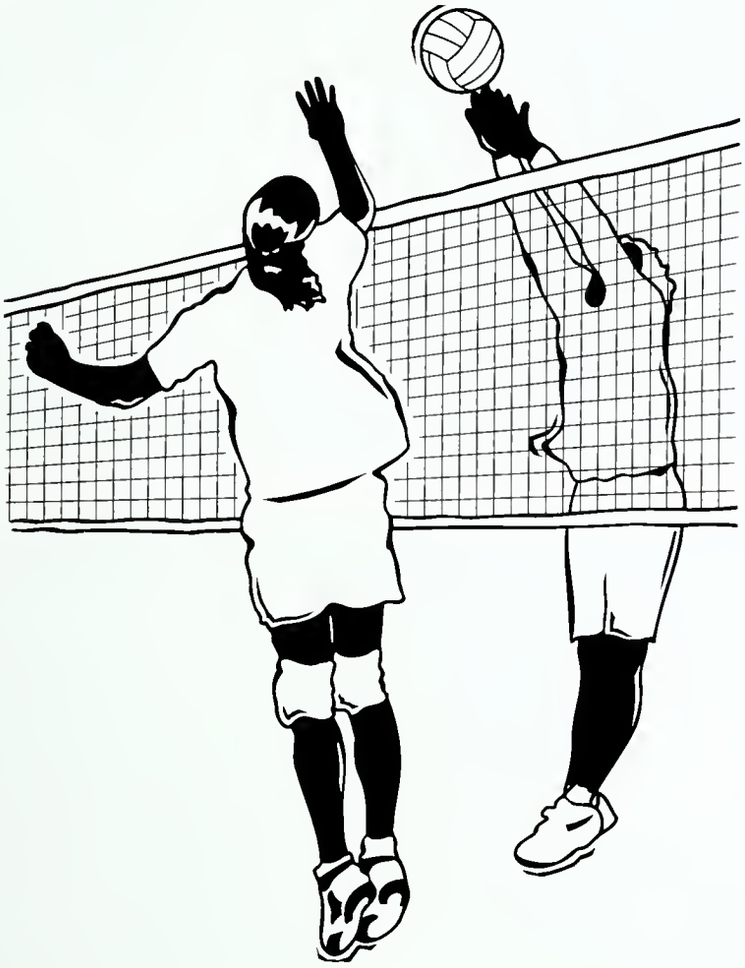
Women's Track Team: *first row*, Damia Ward, Latisha Gillis, and Roshelle Mack. *second row*, Kenya Hodge, Stephanie Edwards, Melody Webb, and Nekosha Fambro. *top row*, Catia Jackson and Lynette Goodman. not pictured: April Pullen, Nikole Barney, LaDwayna Wilcher, Laniece Thomas, Michelle Duncan, and Tameiko Allen.
Head Coach: Ted Whitaker.

left, Chris Johnson of Savannah gets into starting position at Wright Stadium.

below, Kenya Hodge of Lake Whales, Florida, a member of the Cross Country team. Other cross-country runners include Rochelle Mack, Stephanie Edwards, Nekosha Fambro, Lyn Lewis, and Jessica Avila-Franco. **Head Coach**: Ted Whitaker.

left, Melody Webb of Chicago looks like a winner!

Women's Volleyball 97-98



Volleyball Team

3	Natalie Brown	11	Catia Jackson
4	Nikki Johnson	15	Yanora Wade
7	Karen Garvin	21	Melody Webb
8	Michelle Duncan	23	Tameiko Allen
9	Jennifer McCord	25	Nikole Barney
10	Ayana McCoy	31	Laniece Thomas

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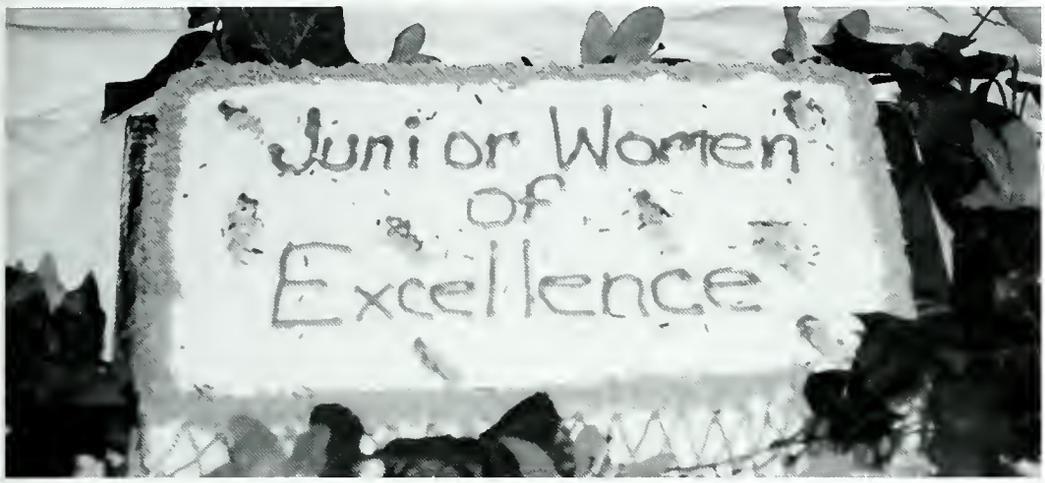
All Eyez on Campus Activities

Jr. Women of Excellence, MLK and the Midnite Breakfast



Jr. Women of Excellence, sponsored by the Office of Student Affairs, recognizes juniors who have excelled in the classroom and in their communities.

SSU participates in the city's annual MLK Jr. Observance Day parade, which is one of the largest observances in the Southeast.

The Midnight Breakfast has become a tradition at SSU. Administrators, faculty and staff members whip up waffles, pancakes, eggs, toast and more for students to enjoy on the eve of final exams.

The Marching Tiger Band was the most representative Savannah State University in the MLK Jr. Observance Day Parade.

Dr. Joseph H. Silver Sr., vice president for Academic Affairs, greets the MLK Jr. program speaker, Michael Townwood.

The men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Delta Eta Chapter pay tribute to their fallen fraternity brother.

Tigers Love a Parade: MLK Jr. Parade

The drum majors lead the way down MLK Jr. Boulevard.

A pretty smile from a pretty majorette: Miss Erica Griffin of Savannah.

Crystal and the dance squad are always kickin' and steppin'.

right, The ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. are well represented at the Junior Women of Excellence ceremony.

below, VerLynda "Nikki" Slaugher poses with her mom, VerLynda, at the Junior Women of Excellence banquet.

Jr. Women of Excellence at Savannah State University

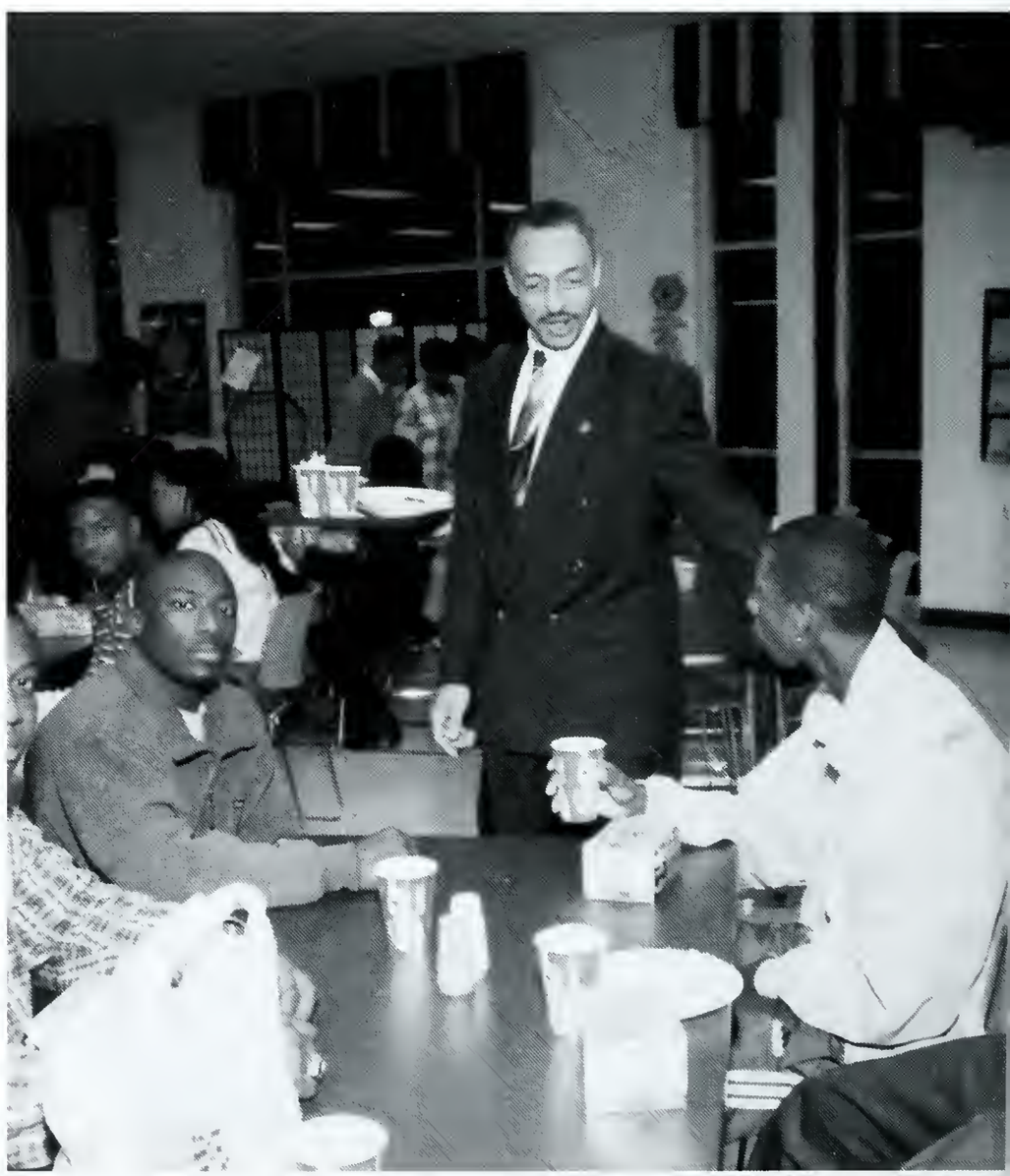
Nikki Slaugher and Ayana McCoy, *the* Junior Woman of Excellence.

Savannah State University First Lady Mrs. T. LaVerne Ricks-Brown and Miss McCoy.

Welcome to the Midnight Breakfast

Brandy Cofield, Tracey Saxton and Melissa Teemer

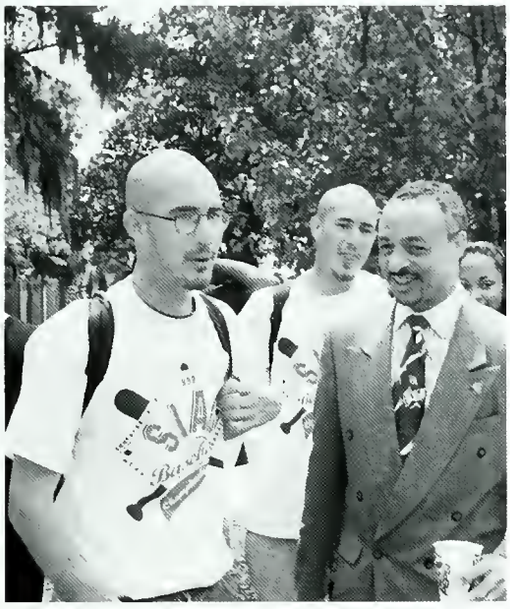
Even Santa shows up for the Midnight Breakfast to take "final wishes" from students. Tijuana Brewer is ready to tell Santa what she needs to make her exam wishes come true!



President Brown gives a pep talk to students at the Midnight Breakfast before they return to their studies.

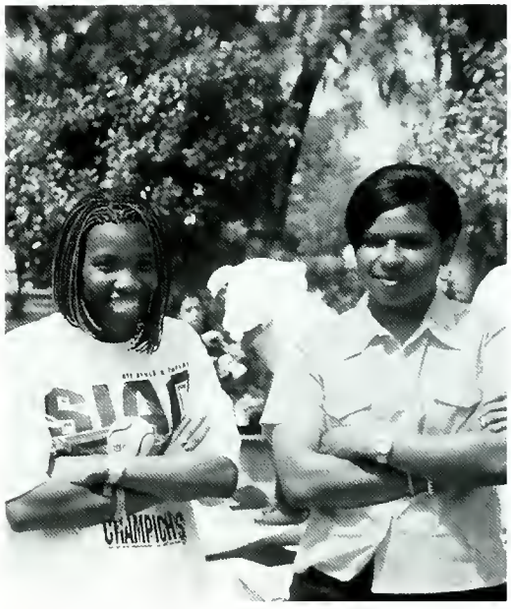
President Brown accepts a check from Rhonda Bass of the Pepsi Cola Company.

The Pepsi celebration was timed to celebrate the baseball team's SIAC victory.



All Tigers Turn Out for the Day of a New Generation

left, Ladies of AKA -- Ebony Kelsy, Tijuana Brewer and Kelli Jackson -- strutting the oh-so-familiar AKA stroll!



above, Members of the tennis team.

left, Mario Bennett (center) and friends. Where is *your* new generation attire?

left, Stephen, Anthisa and Conshombia are sporting their new generation attire.

All Eyez On Student Leaders At SSU

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.

seated, Farrel Smith, standing l-r: Fecelia Billingslea, VerLynda Slaughter, Bridgette Thomas, Brandi Cofield, Michelle Andrews and Felicia Billingslea.

l-r, Bridgette Thomas, VerLynda Slaughter, Fecelia Billingslea, Farrel Smith, Felicia Billingslea, Michelle Andrews and Brandi Cofield.

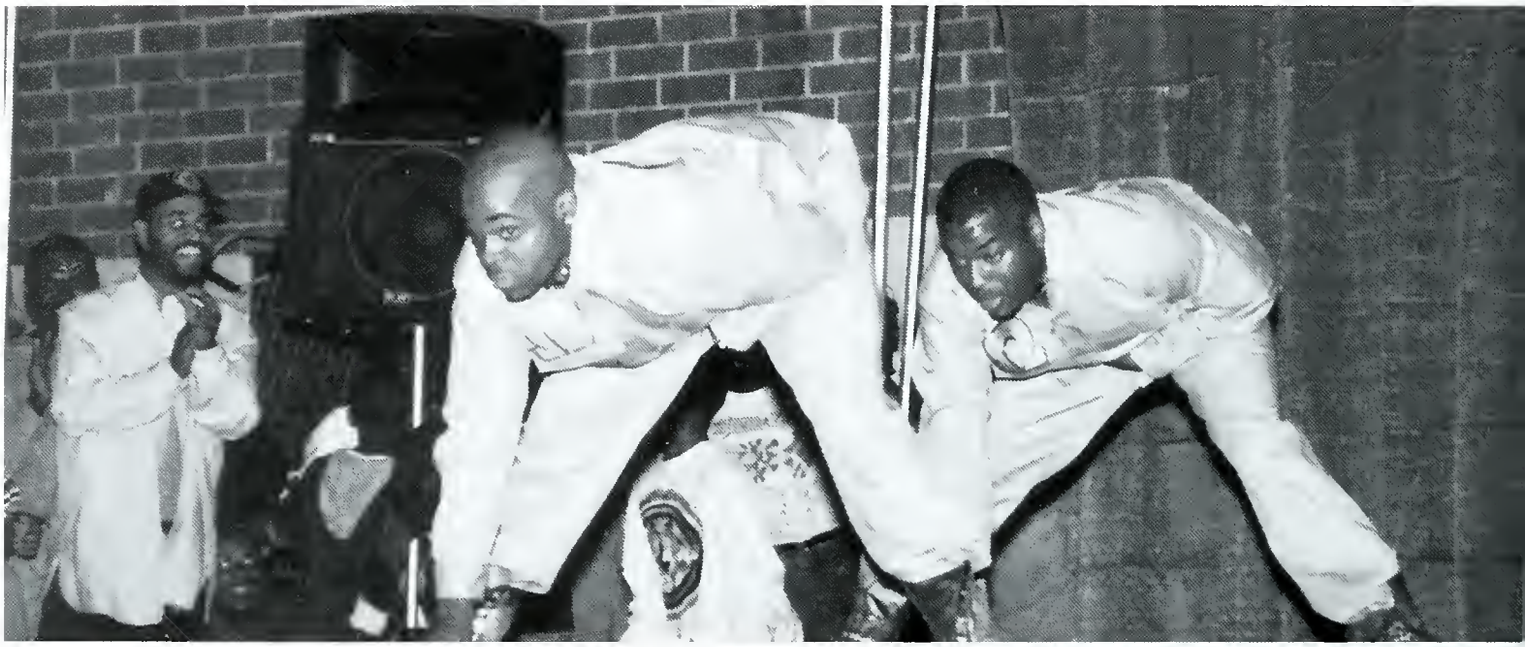
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.

l-r, Ken Albright, Jerome Neal, Joshua Sanders, Dwayne Gilliard, Danny, Chris Holmes, Tyrone Morrow, Ricardo Thomas, Lamar Rhodes, Stephen Culver and Juan Johnson

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.

left, Tara Wright, Catrena Carter and Adrienne Pratner.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.



Que Dogs in Step!

above, Aaron Bishop

right, Corey D. Robinson

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc.

above, Phi Beta Signa paraphernalia on display

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.

N . R . O . T . C .

The Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) unit was established at Savannah State in 1971 with an enrollment of 41 midshipmen. Midshipmen who successfully complete the four-year NROTC Program and graduate with a baccalaureate degree are eligible for commissioning as officers in the U.S. Navy or Marine Corps.

NROTC midshipmen and instructors.

The flag corps unit participates in many local parades.

Navy ROTC instructors, including Commander Welch Fair. (4th from left)

LESTER HALL COUNCIL

ATHLETIC ADVISORY BOARD

MARINE BIOLOGY CLUB

PLAYERS BY THE SEA

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE CLUB

RESIDENCE ASSISTANTS

Student Advisory Board

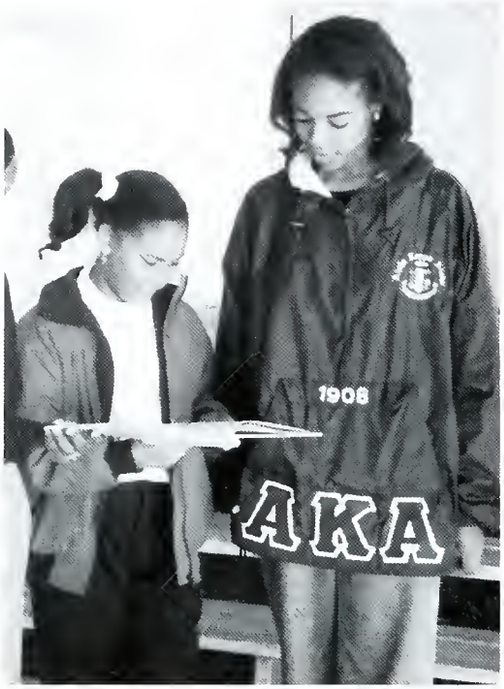
Junior Class Officers

Freshman Class Officers

The Friendly Beings

The SSU Peer Counselors -- known to many as The Friendly Beings -- are the first to greet incoming freshmen students each fall. During the week of new student orientation, the peer counselors help the freshmen make the transition to a new way of life -- the life of a Tiger!

above, That looks like Ayana McCoy doing the Tiger hustle.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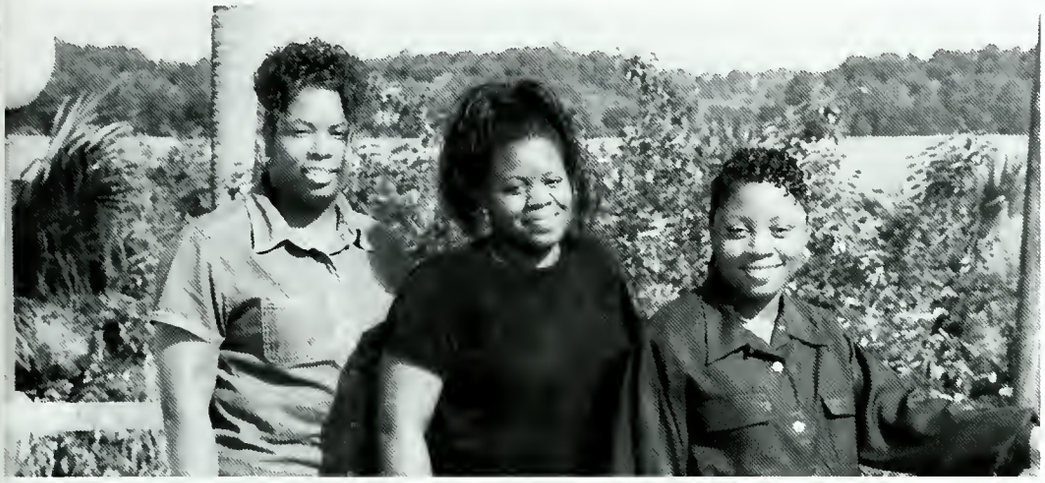
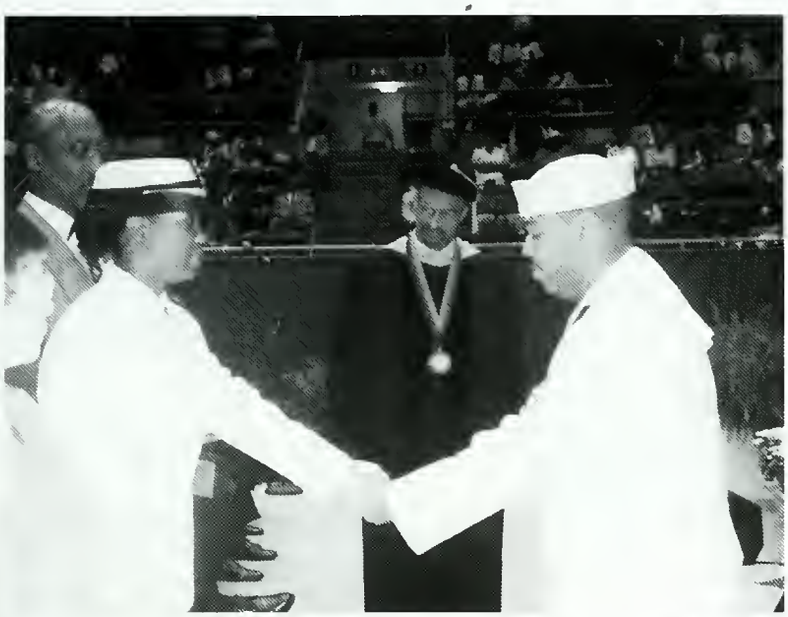
A Final Look at Organizations

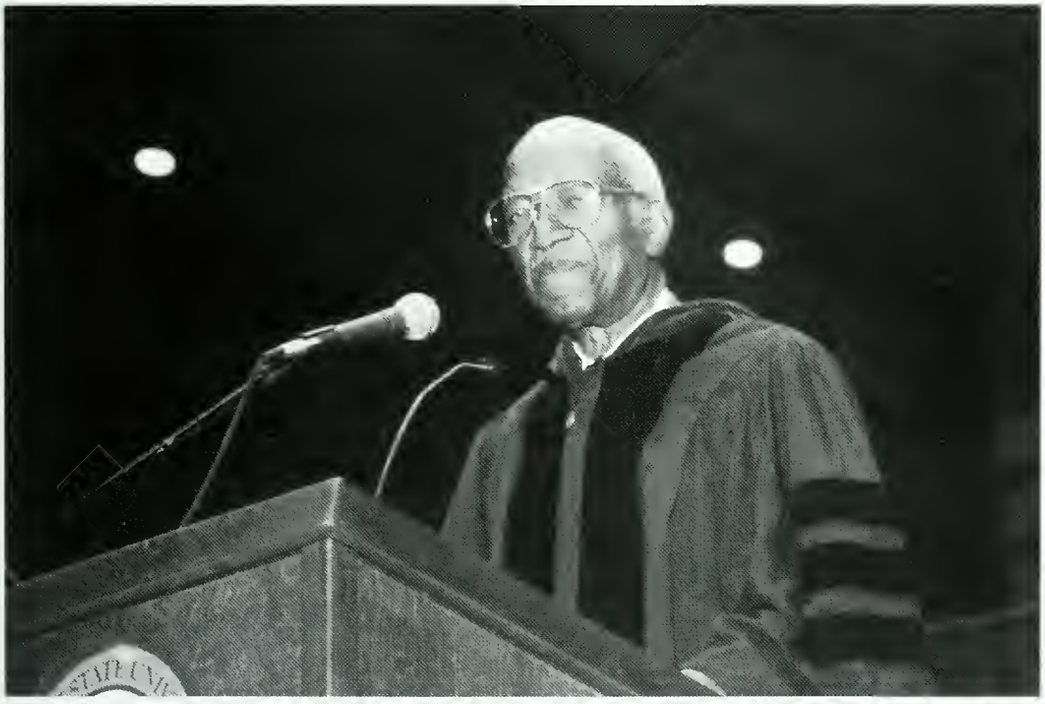


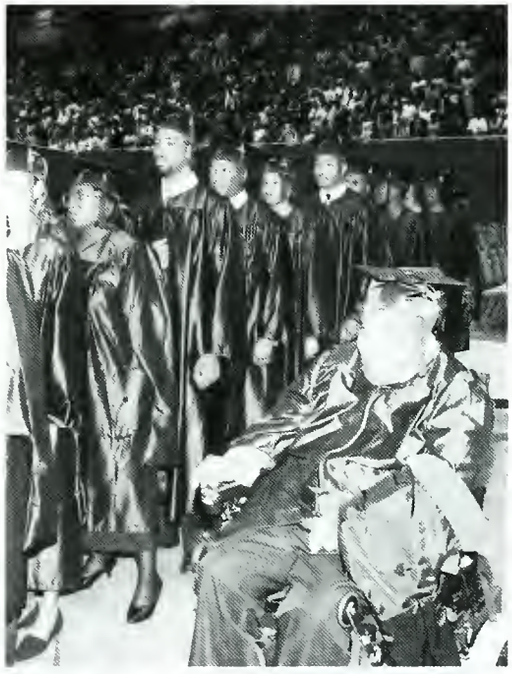
All *EYEZ* on COMMENCEMENT

Commencement '98 featured Dr. John Hope Franklin as the guest speaker. Franklin is chair of President Clinton's advisory board for "One America: The President's Initiative on Race." Franklin is the James B. Duke Professor of History Emeritus and for seven years was Professor of Legal History in the law school at Duke University.

Commencement Ceremony







Yes, the Tiger has driving privileges on the yard!

The SSU campus in full bloom is a beautiful site to behold.

above, the band performs at a campus pep rally.

right top, the rear of the King-Frazier Student Center .

Don't let Dr. Silver fool you! He is practicing his listening skills in the audience.

This group of athletes listens attentively during a special lecture in the ballroom.

Around The Campus of

S S U

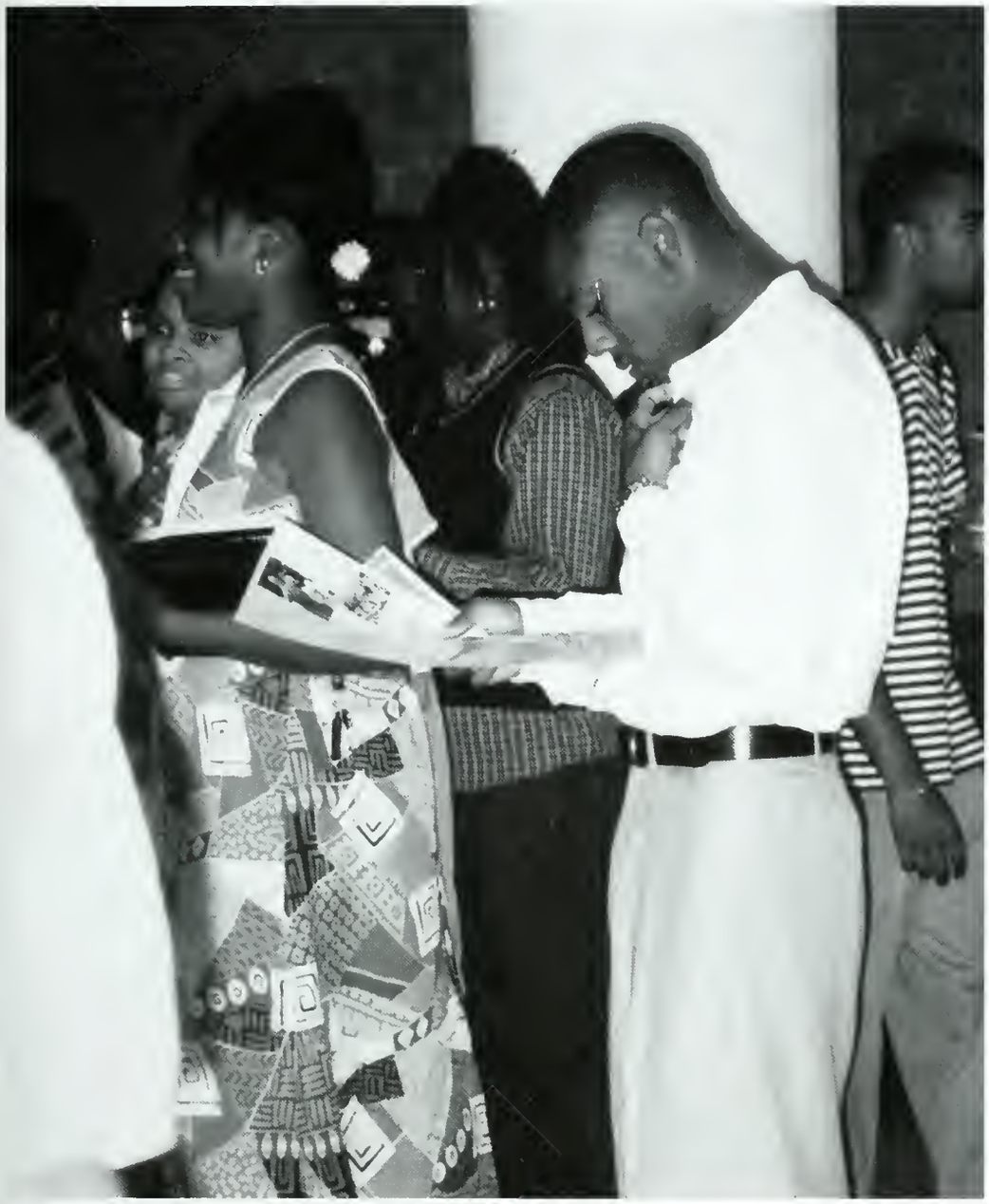
Just a little snack!

TIGER

CANDIDS

"Yes, they call me Songbird. You want me to sing for you right now -- here in the student center?!"

"We are the men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity!"



"Awesome!"

"Absolutely intriguing!"

A "Friendly Being," SSU Peer Counselor Valerie Williams, gets advice from President Brown during the new student orientation period.

1ST *PEP RALLY*

The first pep rally of 1998 started under threatening skies. When the rain started to fall, the The Tiger Band and Tiger fans moved inside the King-Frazier Student Center.

A little rain doesn't dampen that Tiger Spirit!

Mixing and Matching

Pool parties, pep rallies, pledging and peer counselors -- these are just a few aspects of student life that new SSU freshmen are introduced to when they arrive on campus. And even more awaits. It's all part of the total university experience.

The SSU Peer Counselors put on a step show at an introductory session for new freshmen and their parents. All in fun, they take "volunteers" from th audience who are willing to give the footwork a try.

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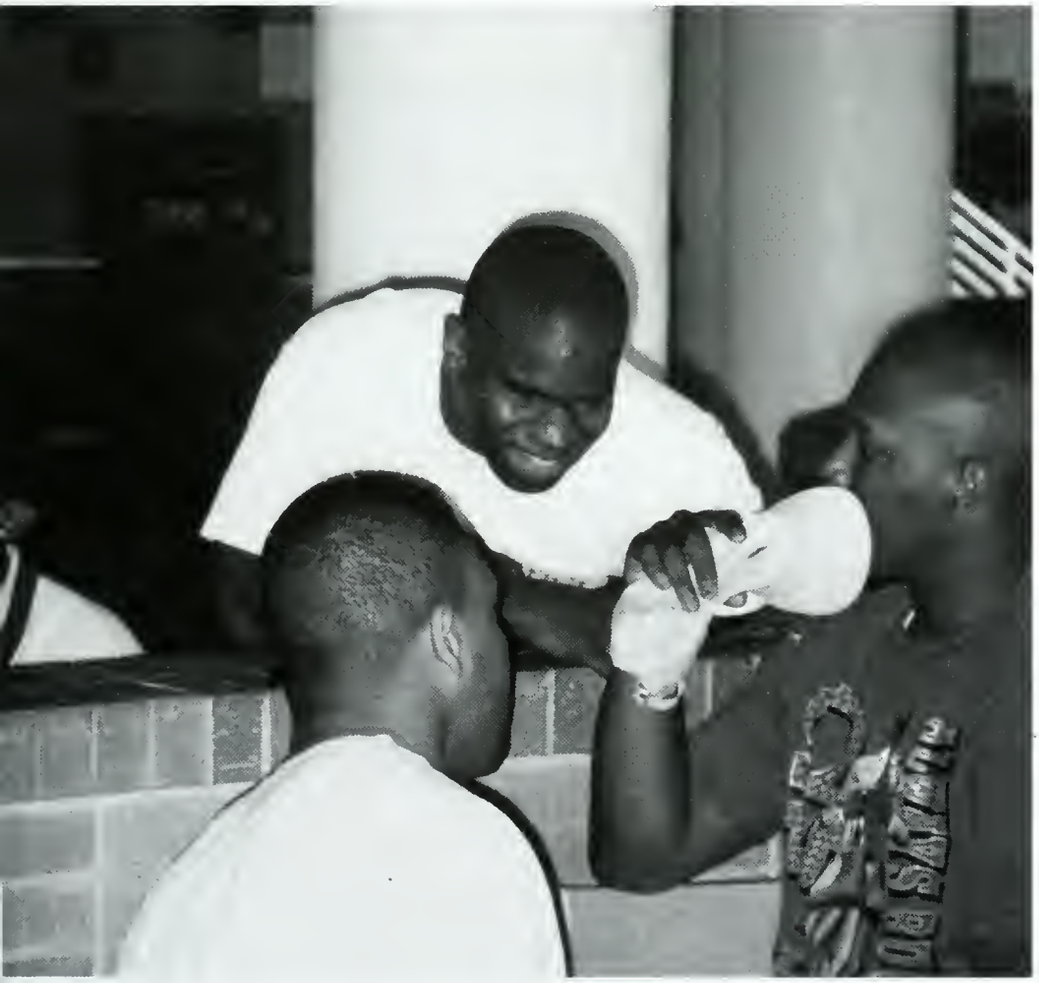


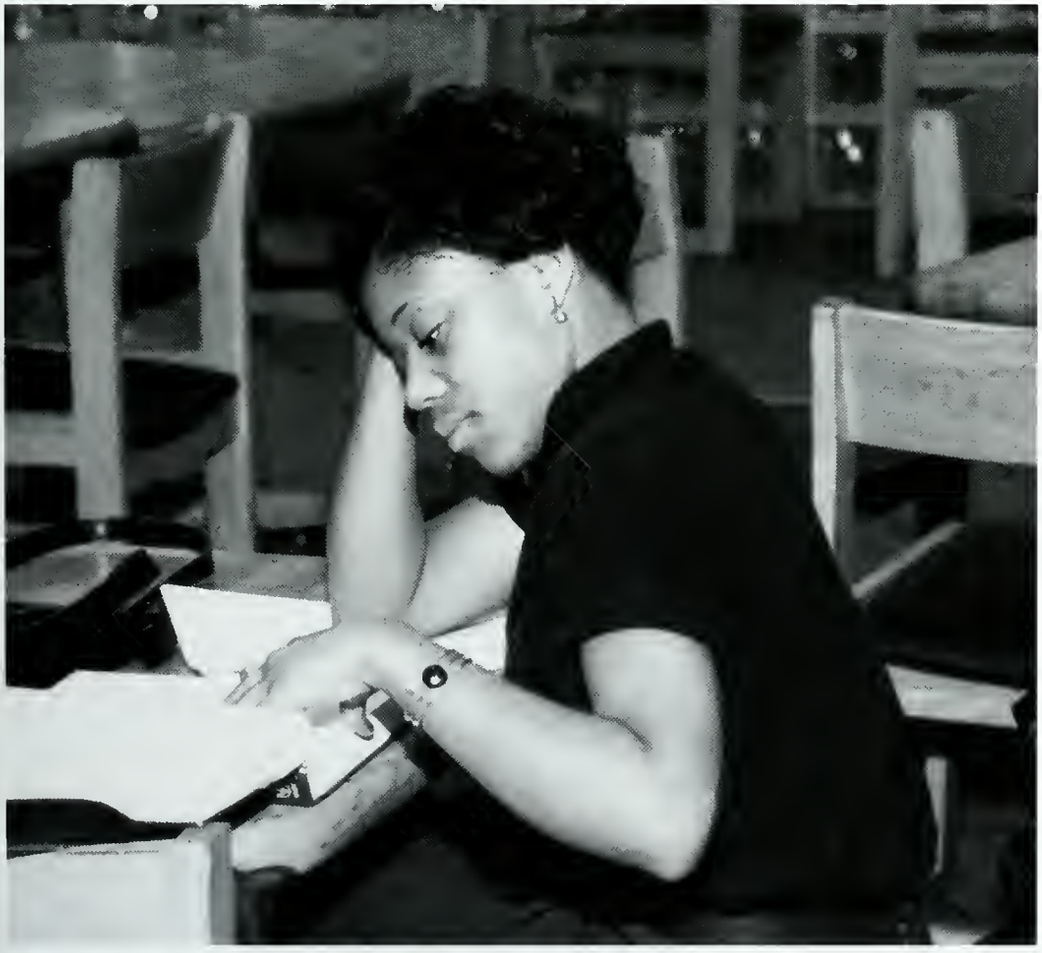
The President gives a lesson in Cash Register 101 at the annual Midnight Breakfast .

Secret ambitions of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

The Tiger likes the attention he is getting from these young ladies.

April Dobbs cannot get past the Tiger without cash money or a valid student ID.

Chef Shaunce Riley prepares scrumptious treats for the Midnight Breakfast feast.



Miss SSU, Tracey Saxton, finds a quiet spot for studying. Do not fall asleep! The evening is just beginning!

Midnight Breakfast

The Coronation ceremony was narrated by Stephanie Jackson, Miss Black Georgia 1998-99 and a senior at SSU, and Mr. William Pinckney, a freshman.

Homecoming '98 SSU: Achieving the Extraordinary Together

The Queen's Coronation A Royal Evening Extraordinaire

Miss Freshman
Shannon Sims

A Countess of Her Majesty's Court
Miss Graduate Association of Public
Administration
Undine Truedell

A Lady of Her Majesty's Court
Miss Bostic Hall
Kima Brantley

Miss Delta Sigma Theta
Tameiko Allen

Miss Sociology
Daria Williams

Miss Zeta Phi Beta
Trisha Brazier

Ladies

Countesses

Baronesses

Miss International Student Association
Sophia Williams

Marquessas

Duchesses

Miss Upward Bound
Melquita Singleton

l-r: Miss Clef Club, Angel Brayboy; Miss Cheerleader, Ayanna Daniels; and Miss Baptist Student Union, Lenisha Ware.

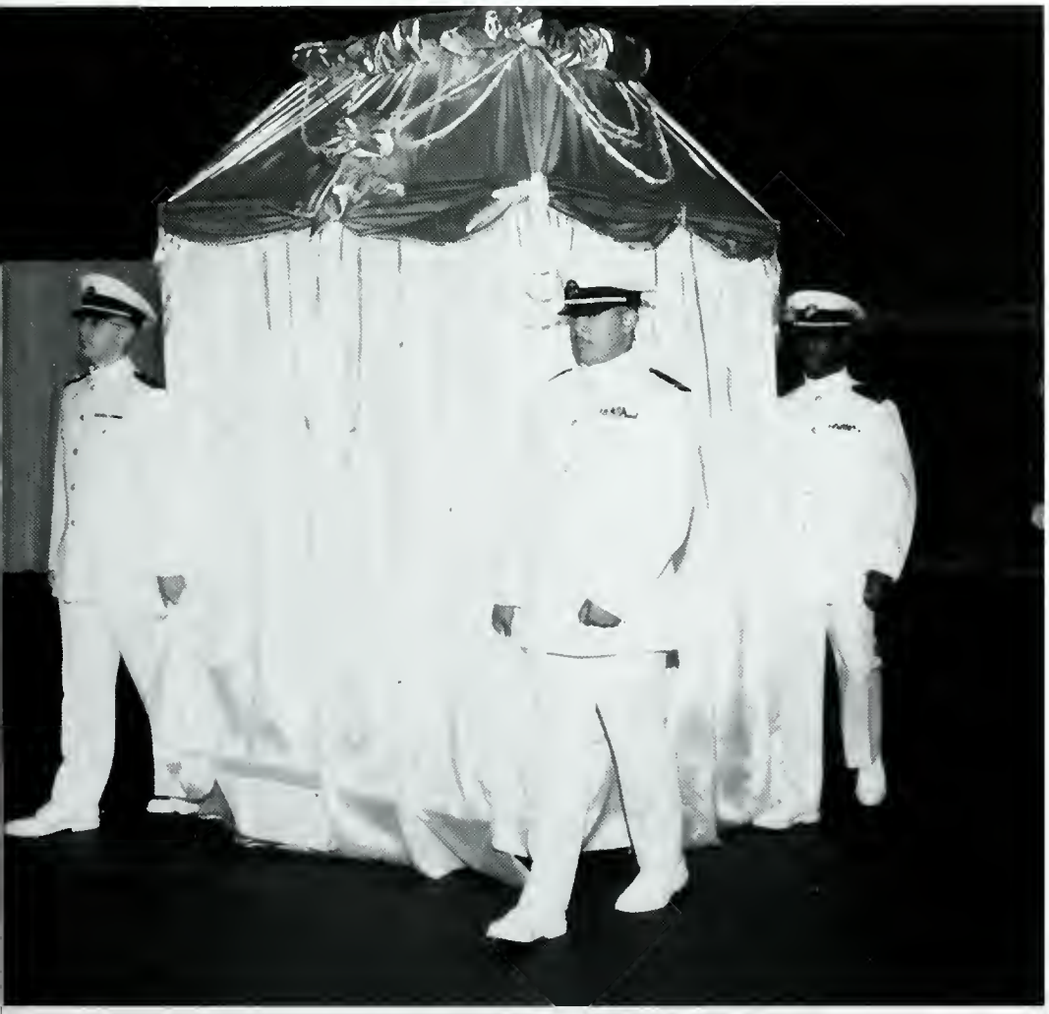
Miss Peer Counselor
Fecilia Billingslea

Miss Alpha Kappa Alph
Felicia Billingsle

Miss Savannah State University

Her Majesty the Queen
Tracey LaTonya Saxton

The Columbus, Georgia, native is a senior majoring in biology. After graduation, she plans to attend medical school to prepare for a career as an obstetrician/gynecologist. Tracey is an active member of Tri-Beta, the honor society for biology undergraduates; the Peer Counselors; Pre-Med Club; Pan-Hellenic Council; and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



Her Majesty with the Princesses of Her Court

left, Second Attendant: Melissa Teemer
The Albany, Georgia, native is a senior majoring in mass communications with a minor in psychology. Upon graduation, Melissa plans to pursue a doctoral degree in psychology. She is president of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Vice President of the Mental Health Professions Student Association, Secretary of the Senior Class, a Peer Counselor, a member of the Mass Communication Club and the WHCJ Tiger Eye News Team.

right, First Attendant: Valorie Williams
A senior from Atlanta, Georgia, Valorie is pursuing a major in ma communications with a minor in psychology. After graduation, she plans pursue a doctoral degree in psychology. Valorie is president of both tl Peer Counselors Association and the Mental Health Professions Stude Association. Valorie is an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sororit Inc., the Pan-Hellenic Council and the Wesleyan Gospel Choir.

Tijuana Brewer, Miss SSU 1997-98, crowns Tracey Saxton with help from SSU President Carlton E. Brown.

Her Majesty the Queen and her Princesses are joined by the Duchesses of the Royal Court: l-r, Miss Senior, Catrena Carter; Miss Sophomore, Catressa Gooden; Miss Freshman, Shannon Sims; and Miss Junior, Antisha Walls.

HOMECOMING '98 PARADE

Miss Phi Alpha Delta Law Foundation, Chiquitta Lewis, sports a pretty smile.

Miss Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., waves to the parade crowd from her float.

"Whoaaaaa! Let's pause for this shot."

Miss SSU, Tracey Saxton, aboard the Royal Parade Float.

PRE-GAME

CANDIDS

President Brown prepares to toss the Homecoming game ball during the pre-game show at Memorial Stadium. The Tigers faced Tuskegee University in the "First City Classic."

"Who told you we were camera shy?"

Vocalist Huxsie Scott performs the National Anthem as her alma mater's band looks on in the background.

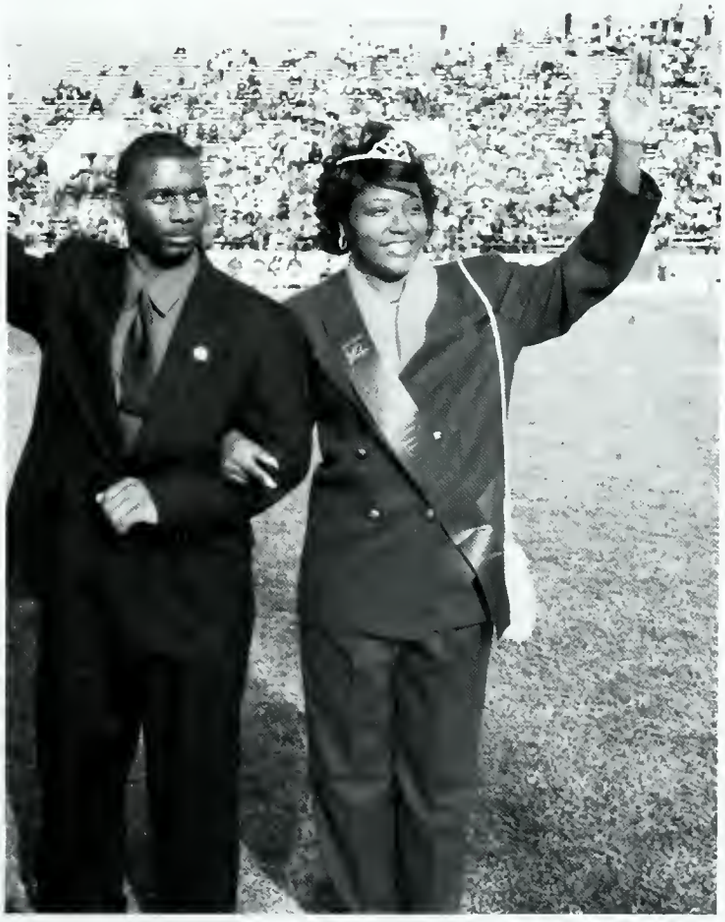
During the halftime show, Parade Grand Marshal Virginia Edwards is introduced to fans. Edwards, a graduate of Savannah State, is superintendent of Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools.

SSU National Alumni Association President John Brown poses with Celebrity Grand Marshal Chanda Rubin, a professional tennis player. Rubin was the honorary guest for SSU's first Invitational Scholarship Tennis Challenge sponsored by St. Joseph's/Candler Health System

not shown: Charlie L. Bryan, Honorary Grand Marshal

left, Lamar Rhodes, president of the Student Government Association, escorts Miss SSU, Tracey Saxton, during the halftime presentations.

below, SGA's Willie Williams escorts Valorie Williams, First Attendant to Miss SSU. *left*, Melissa Teemer, Second Attendant to Miss SSU, is escorted by SGA's Dwayne Gilliard.



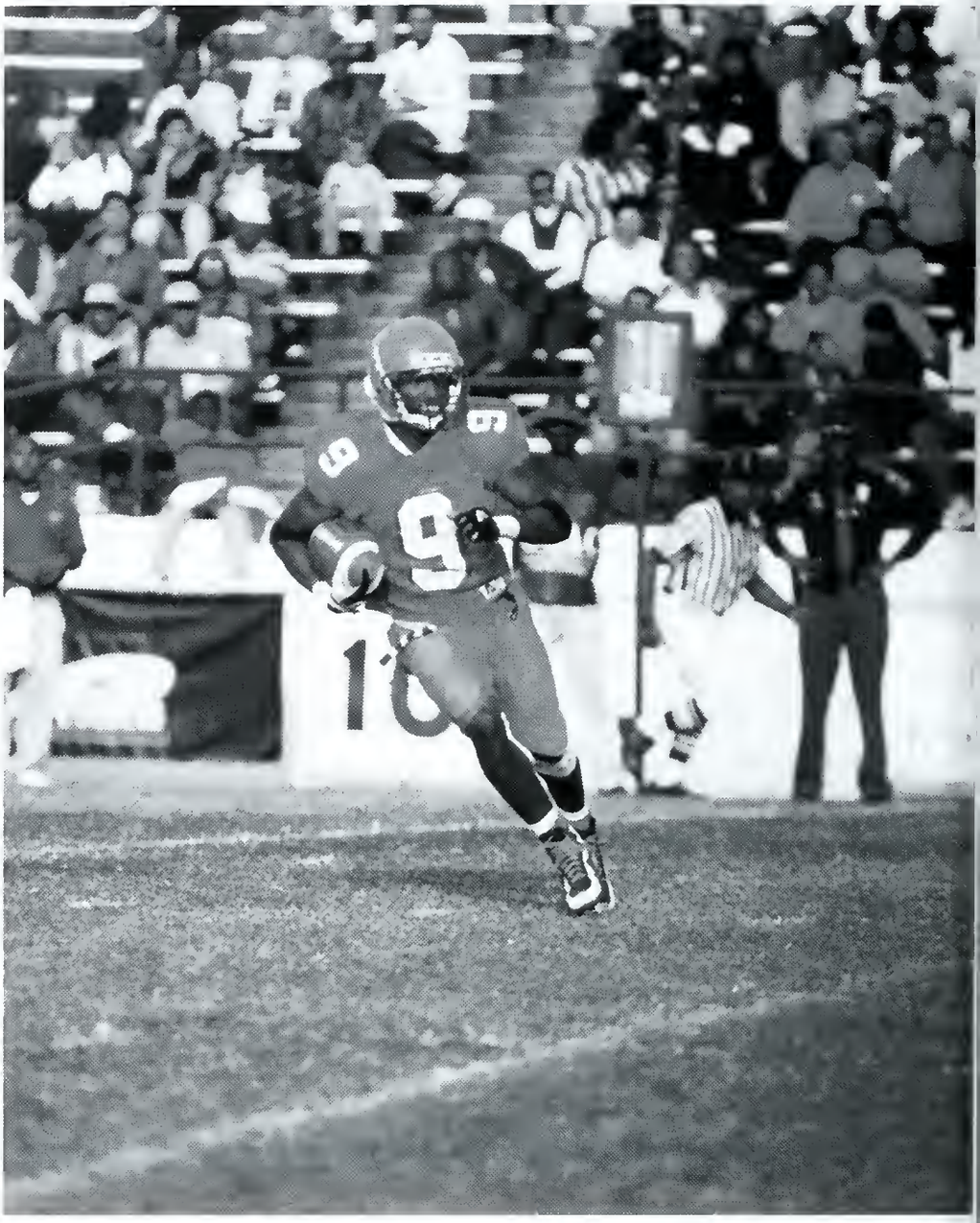
Homecoming '98: The First City Classic

SSU Tigers
vs.
Tuskegee University Golden Tigers
Nov. 14, 1998
1:30 p.m.
Memorial Stadium

SSU

1998 Tiger Football Schedule

Aug. 29	Tigers at Elizabeth City
Sept. 5	45th Annual Gateway Classic Bethune Cookman College Jacksonville, Florida
Sept. 12	Tigers at Clark Atlanta
Sept 19	Tigers at Lane College
Sept. 26	Morehouse College
Oct. 3	Music City Classic Albany State Macon, Georgia
Oct. 10	Tigers at Morris Brown
Oct. 24	Kentucky State
Oct. 31	Fort Valley State
Nov. 7	Tigers at Miles College
Nov. 14	Tuskegee



1998 TIGERS

1 Abdul Rashad
Atlanta, GA

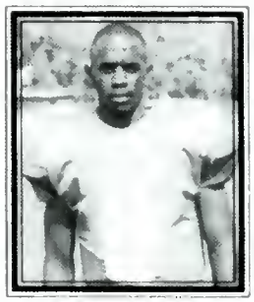
3 Shannon Howard
Glennville, GA

4 AK Pope
Savannah, GA

5 Geoffrey McIntyre
Hinesville, GA

6 Hamilton Bledsoe
Riverdale, GA

7 Shanarda Jones
Atlanta, GA



8 Jermaine Brooks
Augusta, GA

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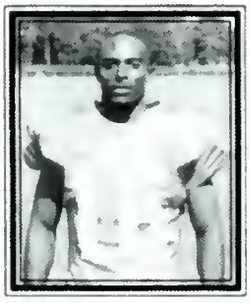
Jacksonville, FL

10 Lee G. Pearson Jr.
Savannah, GA

11 Wayne Govan
West Palm Beach, FL

12 Ramon Huff
Savannah, GA



16 Carlton Rhule
Ft. Lauderdale, FL

17 Antwain Turner
Atlanta, GA

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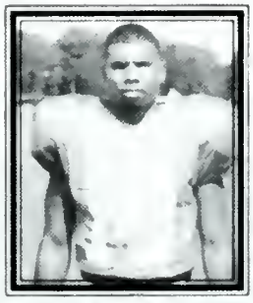
Savannah, GA



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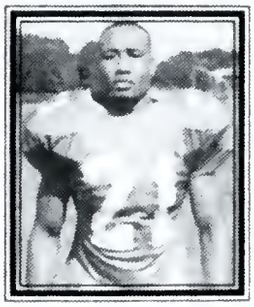

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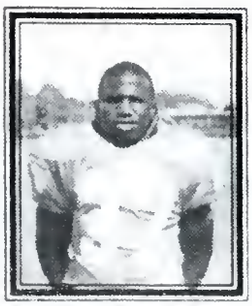

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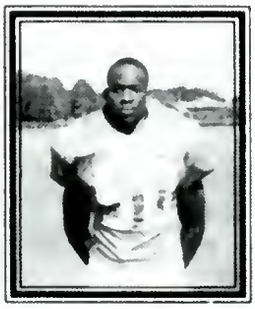

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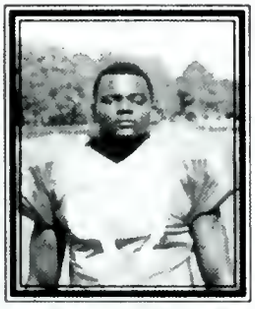

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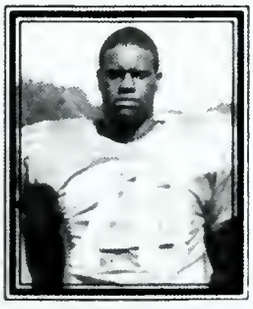

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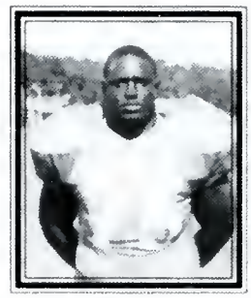

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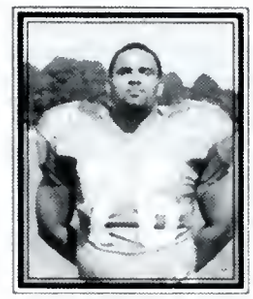

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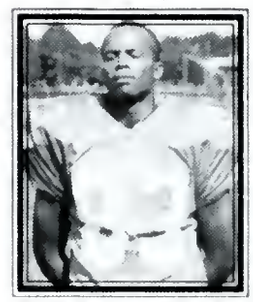

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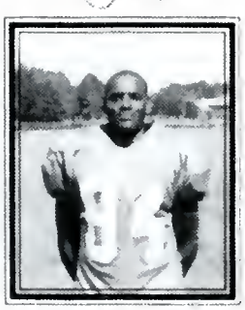

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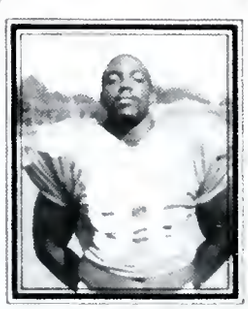

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Eric Jackson
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1998-99 Women's Basketball Schedule

Nov. 13	at Brewton Parker
Nov. 14	at Univ. North Florida
Nov. 18	Valdosta State
Nov. 22	at Kentucky State
Nov. 27	Florida Memorial
Nov. 30	Paine College
Dec. 4	Florida Tech
Dec. 5	Armstrong Atlantic
Dec. 8	Brewton Parker
Dec. 12	at Albany State
Dec. 14	Univ. North Florida
Dec. 21	at Florida Tech
Jan. 4	at Fort Valley
Jan. 9	at Tuskegee
Jan. 13	Claflin College
Jan. 16	at Clark University
Jan. 18	NCCU
Jan. 21	at Morris Brown
Jan. 23	at Clark University
Jan. 26	Miles College
Jan. 30	Paine College
Feb. 2	Fort Valley
Feb. 6	Lemoyne-Owen
Feb. 10	Morris Brown
Feb. 13	Albany State
Feb. 16	Lane College

1998-99 Men's Basketball Schedule

Nov. 13-14	Atlanta City Classic
Nov. 19	Edward Waters
Nov. 22	Kentucky State
Nov. 27	Florida Memorial College
Nov. 30	Paine College
Dec. 5	Armstrong Atlantic
Dec. 12	Albany State
Dec. 16	Morehouse
Dec. 18-19	Armstrong Classic
Dec. 30	Georgia College
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Jan. 9	Tuskegee
Jan. 13	Claflin College
Jan. 16	Clark Atlanta
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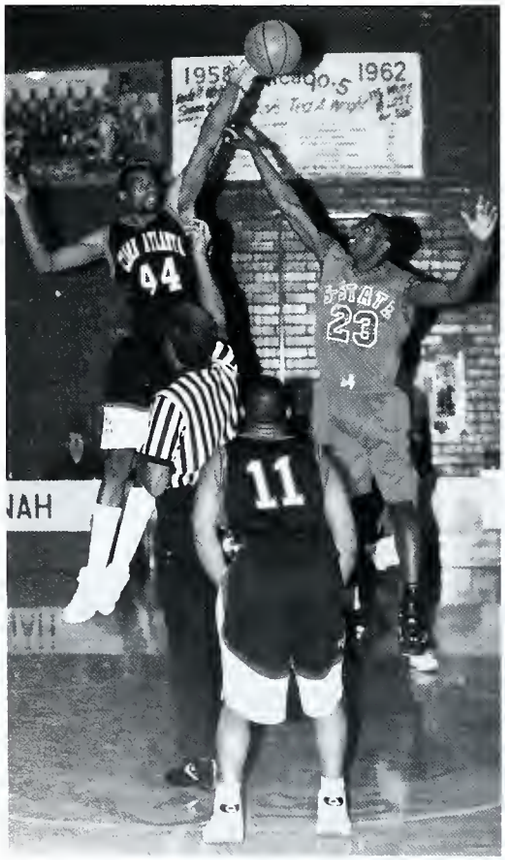
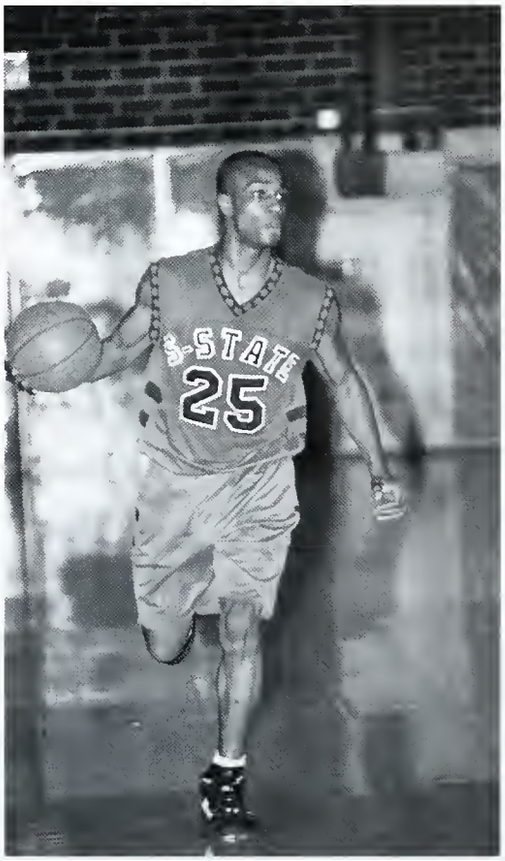
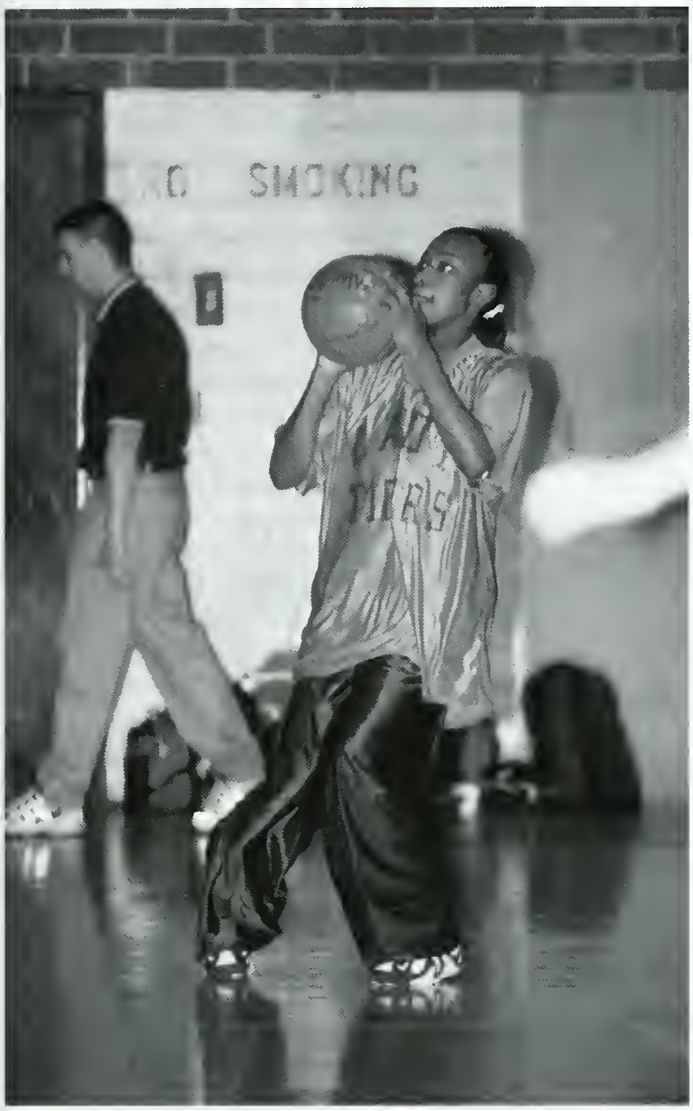




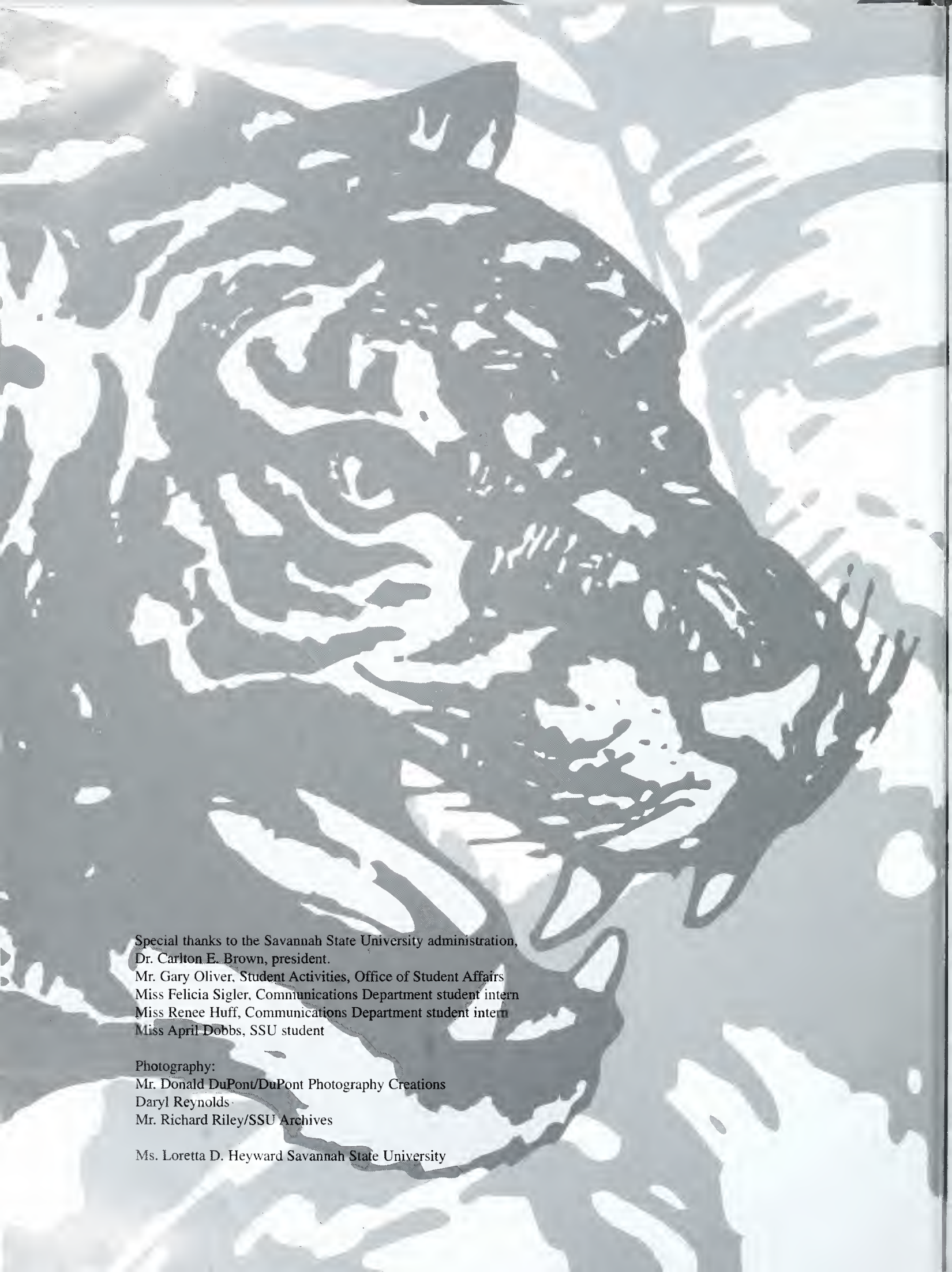


Lady Tigers Take Their Game to the SIAC Tournament

1999: The Lady Tigers made it to the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Tournament. Their last trip was during the 1995-96 season. The Lady Tigers defeated Tuskegee 90-85 in double overtime in the opening round to advance to the semifinals, where they fell to Fort Valley State University.

Battling for the rebound: Lady Tigers and Lady Panthers of Clark Atlanta.

The Lady Tigers' Stroll? Nah!



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